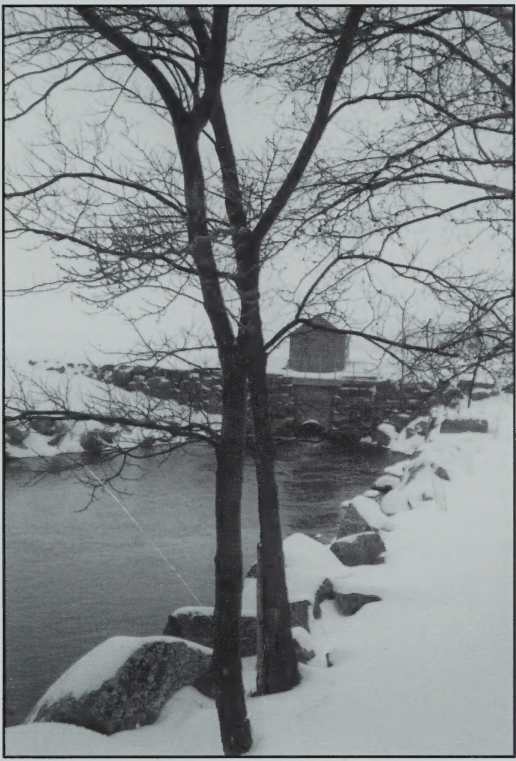


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For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1997

1998 Town Meeting

TOWN OF NEW LONDON 1997

AMBULANCE FIRE POLICE		EMERGENCY	911

SELECTMEN'S OFFICE	Mon-Fri	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	526-4821
Ilene M. Healy		1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	
Town Administrator			

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR	Mon-Fri	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	526-4046
Lois E. Marshall		1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	
Town Clerk/Tax Collector			

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT	Mon-Fri	Please leave a message	526-6337
Richard Lee, Road Agent			

TRANSFER STATION	Tues/Thurs	10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.	526-9499
	Sat/Sun		

STUMP DUMP	Tues	8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	
	Sun	Noon - 4:00 p.m.	

RECREATION DEPARTMENT		Please leave a message	526-6401
Louise Casson, Recreation Director			

CEMETERY TRUSTEES			526-6442
Charles Hafner, Chairman			

TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY	Tues/Thurs	9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	526-4656
Virginia Foose	Wed/Fri	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	
Library Director	Sat	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	

HEALTH OFFICER		Please leave a message	526-4761
Donald Bent			

PLANNING BOARD	Mon-Fri	8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	526-4821
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	
For information or to get on agenda			
call Selectmen's office			

SEWER DEPARTMENT		Please leave a message	526-6411
Douglas Gay, Superintendent		EMERGENCIES	526-2626

WATER PRECINCT		Please leave a message	526-4441
Richard LaPorte, Superintendent		EMERGENCIES	526-2626

FIRE DEPARTMENT		NON-Emergencies	526-6073
Walter Partridge, Jr.			
Fire Chief		EMERGENCIES	911

POLICE DEPARTMENT		NON-Emergencies	526-2626
David J. Seastrand			
Police Chief		EMERGENCIES	911

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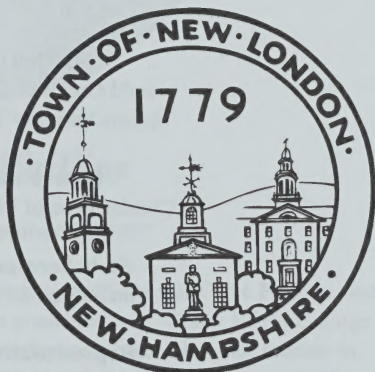
Melendy Park at the gatehouse of Pleasant Lake Dam

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**FOR YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1997**

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TOWN OF NEW LONDON

Incorporated June 25, 1779 Anno Domini

Total Area 16,192 Acres, Land Area 14,144 Acres

Water Area 2,048 Acres

Highest Elevation in Town: Morgan Hill 1,760 feet

Population (1950 Census) 1484

Population (1960 Census) 1738

Population (1970 Census) 2236

Population (1980 Census) 2893

Population (1990 Census) 3180

Population (1996 Census) 3605

Second Congressional District

Second Councilor District

Fifth State Senatorial District

United States Senators

Judd Gregg of Greenfield through 1998

Robert Smith of Tuftonboro through 2002

Representative in Congress

Charles Bass of Peterborough through 2000

State Senator of New Hampshire

Jim Rubens of Hanover through 1998

Representatives to General Court

Peter Crowell of New London through 1998

Alf E. Jacobson of New London through 1998

Avis Nichols of Warner through 1998

County Commissioner

Stuart D. Trachy of Franklin through 1998

Executive Councilor

Peter J. Spaulding of Hopkinton through 1998



Doris Holt Phillips

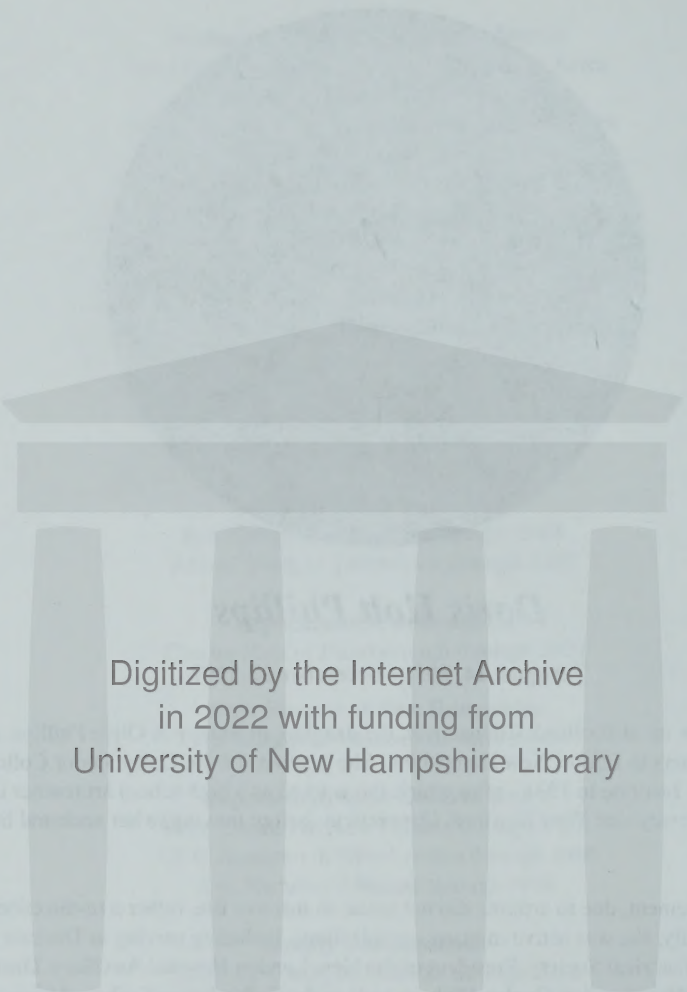
August 14, 1911 - December 22, 1997

Doris grew up in Hartford, Connecticut, the daughter of Sidney & Olive Phillips, and spent her summers in Elkins, New Hampshire. She graduated from Colby Junior College in 1931, and Pratt Institute in 1934 - after which she worked as a high school art teacher in Orange, New Jersey, and West Hartford, Connecticut, before moving to her ancestral home in Elkins in 1958.

Early retirement, due to arthritis did not mean an inactive life, rather a re-direction of her energies. Locally, she was active in many organizations, including serving as Director of the New London Historical Society, President of the New London Hospital Auxiliary, District Director of the New London Garden Club, as well as the Colby Junior College Alumnae Council Secretary and Head Agent of her Class of 1934. She was Grand Marshal in the 1979 Hospital Day Parade as well as the 1985 Scytheville Parade, as the great-grand daughter of Joseph Phillips, one of the co-founders of the Scytheville factory and village.

Doris developed a great interest in raising Norwegian Elkhounds and showed her dogs throughout the country, with nearly every one of her dogs achieving Champion status. She wrote a weekly dog column for the Manchester Union Leader for over 20 years, receiving many local and national awards for her work.

Doris possessed a keen interest throughout her life in the history of New London and Scytheville (later known as Elkins), doing much historical research and helped author *Reflections in a Mill Pond*, a history of Scytheville, New Hampshire.



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**NEW LONDON TOWN OFFICIALS
AS OF 12/31/97**

ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

Douglas W. Lyon, Chairman, 1998
Edmund R. Taylor, 1999
Mark Kaplan, 2000

TOWN CLERK:

Lois E. Marshall, 2000

TREASURER:

Steven M. Mendelson, 1998

TOWN MODERATOR:

Hilary P. Cleveland, 1998

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS:

Martin S. Feins, Chair, 1998
Martha E. Cottrill, 1999
William D. Hutchins, 2000

BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Robert A. Foose, Chair, 2000
E. Jon Barselle, 1998
Shelby C. Blunt, 1998
David A. Eberly, 1998
Laurie L. Jacques, 1999
Douglas S. Baxter, 1999
Robert R. Gray, 1999
John W. Pierzchala, 1999
Ruth I. Clough, 2000
Mark Kaplan (Selectmen's Rep.)

FIRE CHIEF:

Walter E. Partridge Jr., 1998

SEWER COMMISSIONERS:

Ann S. Beardsley, Chair, 2000
William J. Faccone, Jr., 1998
John A. Cummings, 1999

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS:

Charles M. Hafner, Chair, 1998
Marion C. Hafner, 1999
Walton W. Chadwick, 2000

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST:

Virginia A. Soule, 1998
Sonja T. Jacobson, 2000
Dana M. Stanley, 2002

TRACY LIBRARY TRUSTEES:

John W. Flynn, Chair, 2000
Hardy A. Hasenfuss, 1998
Joan B. Sweeny, 1998
Theodore S. Brown, 1999
Jane Ann McSwiney, 1999
George A. Doolittle, 2000
Robert T. Wallace, 2000

KRSD SCHOOL BOARD:

Barbara C. Brown, 1998
Dan H. Allen, 1999

KRSD BUDGET COMMITTEE:

John F. Hollinger, 1998
Winsor L. Chase, 1999

KRSD MODERATOR:

Robert E. Bowers, Jr., 1998

APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

Ilene M. Healy

FINANCE OFFICER:

Carolyn E. Fraley

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY:

Amy A. Rankins

DEPUTY TREASURER:

Stephen R. Theroux, 1998

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

David J. Seastrand, Chief
Christopher C. Currier, Officer
Donald W. Kintis, Officer
Edward C. Kinzer, Officer
David A. White, Officer
David R. Zuger, Officer
Julianne Saxby, Administrative Secretary
Edward G. Anderson, Officer/Part-Time
Harry J. Barrett, Officer/Part-Time
Howard P. Eaton Sr., Officer/Part-Time

DISPATCH:

Bernard L. Cushing III, Dispatch Supervisor
Jason R. Byrne, Dispatcher
Kimberly G. Edgecomb, Dispatcher
Edward G. Anderson, P/T Dispatcher
Jodi Bailey, P/T Dispatcher
Matthew E. Bergeron, P/T Dispatcher
Timothy T. Julian, P/T Dispatcher
Jeffrey A. Reed, P/T Dispatcher

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Richard E. Lee, Road Agent
Robert A. Harrington, Foreman/Maint. III
Michael W. Fifield, Maint. II
Karen E. Welch, Maint. II
Joseph M. Cadogan, Maint. I
Mark P. Jerome, Maint. I

TRANSFER STATION:

Robert E. Lee, Supervisor
Sean T. Brunel, Recycling Attendant
David J. LaFond Jr., Recycling Attendant

SEWER DEPARTMENT:

Douglas L. Gay, Superintendent
Robert L. Thorp, Jr., Collection Operator
Ann S. Beardsley, Admin. Bookkeeper

TAX COLLECTOR:

Lois E. Marshall, 1998

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:

Linda M. Hardy

HEALTH OFFICER:

Donald F. Bent, 2000

ASSISTANT HEALTH OFFICER:

Donald C. Lamson, 2000

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Terence L. Dancy, Chair, 1999
Sue Ellen Andrews, 1998
Karen E. Ebel, 1998
Ruth A. White, 1998
Edward C. Parkhurst, MD, 1999
Fred W. Sladen, 1999
Peter S. Stanley, 2000

PLANNING BOARD:

Laurie T. DiClerico, Chair, 1998
Karen E. Ebel, 1998
Marjorie Y. Peters, 1998
Thomas A. Cottrill, 1999
James B. Clancy, 2000
Sydney L. Crook, 2000
Edmund R. Taylor (Selectmen's Rep.)

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:

Elizabeth J. Herrick, Chair, 2000
Brian J. Prescott, 1998
Ruth I. Clough, 1999
Ann L. Jones, 1999
William D. Green, Jr., 2000
Joan S. Bucklin (Alternate), 1998
Charles H. Marston (Alternate), 1998
Robert A. Foose (Alternate), 2000
Frank H. Gordon (Alternate), 2000

RECREATION COMMISSION:

Louise A. Casson, Recreation Director
Craig J. DesLaurier, Co-Chair, 1998
Muffy E. DesLaurier, Co-Chair, 1998
Robert W. Bell, 1998
Joanne Buechel, 1998
Shari Goldberg-Keenan, 1998
Eric S. Ensign, 1999
Edwin B. Goodall Jr., 1999
Lynn Beach, 2000
Stanley F. Morono, 2000

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE:

Robert M. Nelson, Director
Lois A. Rockwood, Deputy Director, 1998
Bernard L. Cushing III
Nancy J. Erickson
Ilene M. Healy
Richard E. Lee
Walter E. Partridge, Jr.
David J. Seastrand

TREE WARDEN:

Robert Fraley

WELFARE OFFICER:

Marc A. Clement

TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

Virginia C. Foose, Library Director
Susanne S. Filkins, Part-Time Library Assistant
Raymond L. Heath, Custodian
Timothy T. Poh, Children's Librarian
Anne R. Ballin, Children's Library Assistant
Edith W. Garner, Children's Library Assistant
Sally O. Davis, Circulation Assistant
Linda E. Miller, General Library Assistant
Beth L. Perkins, General Library Assistant
Hannah W. Blunt, Student Aide
Erin K. Carroll, Student Aide
Katherine N. Sullivan, Student Aide

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS:

David A. Eberly, 2000
James A. Granger, 1998
Stephen W. Ensign, 1999

FOREST FIRE WARDENS:

Walter E. Partridge, Jr., Warden
Peter B. Crowell, Deputy Warden
Jay B. Bewley, Deputy Warden
James A. Granger, Deputy Warden
Laurids T. Lauridsen III, Deputy Warden
Peter S. Stanley, Deputy Warden

BALLOT CLERKS:

Richard Guerringue
Ann L. Jones
Thelma Kaplan
Robert G. MacMichael
Steven M. Mendelson
E. Waldo Sanders
Pamela J. Saunders
Margaret K. Theroux

NH/VT SOLID WASTE DISTRICT:

Ilene M. Healy
John W. Pierzchala
Martin S. Feins (Alternate)

TOWN HISTORY & ARCHIVES:

Margaret Moreland, Archivist, 1999
Doris M. Cutter, 1998
Lindsay M. Collins, 1998
Arrolyn H. Vernon, 1998
Walton W. Chadwick, 1999
Constance M. Granger, 2000
Robert M. Lovely, 2000

REGIONAL PLANNING COMM. REP:

Sydney L. Crook, 1998

ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

James F. Alexander, 1998
Thomas A. Cottrill, 1998
James A. Cricenti, 1998
John A. Cummings, 1998
Michelle S. Feins, 1998
Steven M. Mendelson, 1998
Vern M. Bailey, 1999
Thomas E. Boggs, 1999
Robin F. Cook, 1999
Prentice C. Horne, 1999
Donald R. Cox, 1999
Carol A. Stedman, 1999
Barbara M. Herbert, 1999
Jay S. Lucas, 1999
Anne R. Ballin, 2000
Charlene F. Baxter, 2000
F. Read Clarke, 2000
Marc A. Clement, 2000
Maura B. Gorman, 2000
Janet L. Sidmore, 2000
Deborah L. Stanley, 2000
Ruth A. White, 2000

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL:

Walter E. Partridge, Jr., Chief
Shaun M. Caisse, Deputy Chief
Nancy J. Erickson, Captain
Amy Carrier, Lieutenant
Peter B. Crowell, Lieutenant
David A. Gilland, Lieutenant
Jason Lyon, Lieutenant
Edgar I. Broadhead, Jr., Clerk
Ethan A. Ballin
Robert W. Barrett
Robert R. Buckley
James J. Cahill
Collin J. Dunn
David A. Eberly
Eric S. Ensign
Stephen W. Ensign

Frank A. Finger
Courtney C. Heath
Stephen E. Higgins
Christian E. Hoffman
Charles W. Huston
Mark R. Jerome
Stowell T. Kidder
Peter A. Lewis
Jason Lyon
Douglas E. MacMichael
Paul A. Messer
Robert M. Nelson
Justin L. Parrish
Peter S. Stanley
Charles A. Steward
David A. White

THE STATE OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE



TOWN WARRANT
NEW LONDON
1998

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
TOWN OF NEW LONDON**

1998 TOWN WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of New London in the County of Merrimack and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Whipple Memorial Hall in said New London on Tuesday the tenth day of March, 1998, at 8:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1

- A. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- B. To vote by ballot on amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance.

NOTE: By law, the meeting must open before the voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 8:00 a.m. for the consideration of Article 1A & 1B. At 12:00 noon, the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open until 7:00 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at the Kearsarge Middle School Gymnasium on Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon

Warrant Articles 2 through 30.

ARTICLE 2

To see if the Town will vote to suspend the reading of the individual Articles in the Warrant and to refer to them by number. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 3

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **General Government Operations**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Executive	70,048	66,286
Elections, Registration & Vitals	36,864	33,944
Financial Administration	195,119	195,394
Revaluation of Property	15,100	15,000
Legal Expense	10,300	20,300
Employee Benefits	367,455	321,982
Planning and Zoning	26,730	21,380
General Government Buildings	68,515	69,420
Cemeteries	23,040	22,000
Insurance	91,860	94,900
Advertising & Regional Associations	<u>9,457</u>	<u>11,257</u>
TOTAL	914,488	871,863

ARTICLE 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$310,111) three hundred ten thousand one hundred and eleven dollars for the **Police Department**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*

(Majority vote required) Note: 1997 appropriated amount \$262,919

ARTICLE 5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Public Safety**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Fire Department	58,292	46,798
Emergency Management	1,700	1,600
Dispatch Center	<u>117,492</u>	<u>133,620</u>
TOTAL	177,484	182,018

ARTICLE 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$378,100) three hundred seventy-eight thousand one hundred dollars for **Highways & Streets/Repair and Maintenance**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required) Note: 1997 appropriated amount \$336,900

ARTICLE 7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Highways and Streets**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Highway Administration	205,765	203,256
Street Lighting	<u>25,600</u>	<u>25,600</u>
TOTAL	231,365	228,856

ARTICLE 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Sanitation**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Solid Waste Administration	70,955	67,808
Solid Waste Collection	46,150	39,750
Landfill Repair	142,000	142,000
Solid Waste Disposal	156,000	196,500
Hazardous Waste Day	0	4,000
Sewage Collection and Disposal	<u>422,685</u>	<u>411,726</u>
TOTAL	837,790	861,784

ARTICLE 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Health Agencies, Health Department, Welfare and Intergovernmental Welfare**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Kearsarge Council on Aging	6,300	6,300
Lake Sunapee VNA	8,793	8,566
Health Department	5,000	5,000
Welfare Administration	250	250
Welfare/Vendor Payments	10,500	10,500
Intergovernmental Welfare/CAP	<u>2,406</u>	<u>2,188</u>
TOTAL	33,249	32,804

ARTICLE 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$63,750) sixty-three thousand seven hundred fifty dollars for **Parks and Recreation**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required) Note: 1997 appropriated amount \$42,500

ARTICLE 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Culture and Recreation**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Tracy Memorial Library	201,424	195,531
Patriotic Purposes	300	300
History and Archives (see warrant article # 12)	<u>800</u>	<u>10,800</u>
TOTAL	202,524	206,631

ARTICLE 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars to be added to the previously established **Town History/Publication Fund**, and to add any accrued interest during 1998 to the said fund. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the History is published or 1999, whichever is sooner. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Conservation**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Conservation Administration	10,470	10,370
Care of Trees	<u>10,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>
TOTAL	20,470	20,370

ARTICLE 30

To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting. ***The Board of Selectmen recommend this warrant article.***
(Majority vote required).

Given under our hands and seal this ninth (9th) day of February, in the Year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety-eight.

New London Board of Selectmen
Douglas W. Lyon, Chairman
Edmund R. Taylor, Selectman
Mark Kaplan, Selectman

A true Copy of Warrant - Attest:
New London Board of Selectmen
Douglas W. Lyon, Chairman
Edmund R. Taylor, Selectman
Mark Kaplan, Selectman

ARTICLE 25

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed (\$150,000) one hundred fifty thousand dollars to purchase the following 4 lots (10.15 acres) from the Shaker Pine Estates subdivision, owned by the Harold Buker 1996 Revocable Trust;

Tax Map #99, Lot 12	2.65 acres
Tax Map #99, Lot 13	2.20 acres
Tax Map #99, Lot 14	2.47 acres
Tax Map #99, Lot 15	2.83 acres

and to authorize the withdrawal of (\$25,500) twenty-five thousand five hundred dollars from the Conservation Commission Capital Reserve fund, to raise (\$49,500) forty-nine thousand five hundred dollars through general taxation, and to accept the receipt of the balance of (\$75,000) seventy-five thousand dollars to be raised by private donations. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 26

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish building permit fees in accordance with RSA 41:9-a.

ARTICLE 27

To see if the Town will correct the Elderly Exemption vote on article 1C of the 1997 Town Warrant so as to conform with the requirement that “to qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years” rather than the 6 years as voted.

ARTICLE 28

To see if the voters of the Town of New London will vote to ban smoking in all buildings and rooms of public access in the Town of New London, including restaurants, offices, stores etc., with the following two exceptions:

- a. Lounges which are physically separated from public restaurant areas and which have separate air exhaust systems and doors to prevent lounge smoke from entering dining areas and
- b. Lounges which also operate as restaurants may permit smoking after 8:00 p.m. Where a lounge is defined as an establishment where alcoholic beverages are served, entertainment may be provided and food may be served.

(submitted by petition)

ARTICLE 29

To see if the Town will vote with the passage of this article to resolve to publicly express its outrage and dismay at the State of New Hampshire, the Governor, the Governor’s Council, and the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) for the lack of due process and notice for the erection of a 180-foot tower at the summit of Mount Kearsarge; the disregard for the scenic and aesthetic values consistent with the use of public park land; and the selling of public resources for commercial use under the guise of police and public safety, and the betrayal of the public trust.”

(submitted by petition)

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$45,500) forty-five thousand five hundred dollars to **Repair the Pleasant Lake Dam** in the fall of 1998 when the lake is lowered, thirty-five thousand five hundred dollars to be raised from general taxation, and to authorize the receipt of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars from the Pleasant Lake Protective Association which represents their portion of the renovation work to be done at the gate house. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$51,703) fifty one thousand seven hundred three dollars to purchase a **Dispatch Radio Console** and to authorize the withdrawal of (\$30,600) thirty thousand six hundred dollars from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose, the balance of (\$21,103) to be raised from general taxation. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.*
(Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$15,000) fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of **Tracy Library Roof Repairs**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$69,000) sixty nine thousand dollars for the purpose of **Renovating the Highway Shed** on South Pleasant Street. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation*
(Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$150,000) one hundred fifty thousand dollars as follows, and to authorize the amount of (\$150,000) to be withdrawn from the **Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund** for this purpose: *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

1-Ton Dump Truck	39,000
Pickup truck replacement	27,000
Backhoe replacement	<u>84,000</u>
Total	150,000

ARTICLE 24

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$250,000) two hundred fifty thousand dollars to pay for the cleanup from the ICE STORM of 1998, and to authorize the receipt of 75% (\$187,500) one hundred eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars from FEMA, 12 1/2% (\$31,250) thirty-one thousand two hundred fifty dollars from the State of New Hampshire, and the balance of (\$31,250) thirty-one thousand two hundred fifty dollars to be raised from general taxation. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **Principal and Interest of Long-Term Debt**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Principal/ Bonds and Notes	150,000	150,000
Interest/Bonds and Notes	49,620	58,705
Interest/TANS	<u>0</u>	<u>500</u>
TOTAL	199,620	209,205

ARTICLE 15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established **Capital and Non-Capital Reserve Funds** as follows: *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1998	1997
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	35,000	30,000
Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	86,400	70,000
Dispatch Radio Equipment (see warrant article #20)	0	10,000
Conservation Land Acquisition (see warrant article #25)	0	8,500
Town Hall Generator Replacement Fund (see warrant article #17)	0	5,000
Sidewalk Installation Capital Reserve Fund	15,000	25,000
Town Building Improvements	10,000	0
Revaluation of Property	5,000	0
Bridge Repair and Maintenance Fund	10,000	10,000
Computer Maintenance/Replacement Fund	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
TOTAL	161,900	159,000

ARTICLE 16

To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of **Dictaphone Radio Replacement** and to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars to be placed in this fund. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$20,000) twenty thousand dollars to purchase a **Generator** for the Town Hall and Harold W. Buker Town Offices and to authorize the withdrawal of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars to be raised from general taxation. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$24,500) twenty-four thousand five hundred dollars for the purchase of a **Police Cruiser**. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required).

BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)
Appropriations/Expenditures 1997
Proposed Budget January 1, 1998 - December 31, 1998

PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATION RSA 31:4	W.A. NO.	1997 APPROP.	EXPENDED 12-31-97	SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED	BUDG. COMM. PROPOSED
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	3	\$ 66,286	\$ 66,933	\$70,048	\$70,048
Election, Registration & Vital	3	33,944	31,880	36,864	36,864
Financial Administration	3	194,894	184,223	195,119	195,119
Revaluation of Property	3	15,000	14,741	15,100	15,100
Legal Expense	3	20,300	12,279	10,300	10,300
Employee Benefits	3	321,982	291,826	367,455	367,455
Planning & Zoning Boards	3	21,380	26,053	26,730	26,730
General Government Buildings	3	69,420	68,862	68,515	68,515
Cemeteries	3	22,000	21,035	23,040	23,040
Insurance	3	94,900	93,792	91,860	91,860
Advertising (Tourism) & Reg. Assoc.	3	11,257	10,623	9,457	9,457
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police Department	4	262,919	257,551	310,111	310,111
Fire Department	5	46,798	50,512	58,292	58,292
Emergency Management	5	1,600	1,477	1,700	1,700
Ice Storm	24			250,000	250,000
Police Dispatch	5	133,620	118,967	117,492	117,492
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS					
Highway Administration	7	203,256	177,569	205,765	205,765
Highway & Streets	6	336,900	310,469	378,100	378,100
Street Lighting	7	25,600	26,770	25,600	25,600
SANITATION					
Solid Waste Administration	8	67,808	56,865	70,955	70,955
Solid Waste Collection	8	181,750	24,786	188,150	188,150
Solid Waste Disposal	8	196,500	190,035	156,000	156,000
Solid Waste Cleanup	8	4,000	3,787	0	0
Sewage Collection & Disposal	8	411,726	411,726	422,685	422,685

HEALTH						
Health Officer	9	5,000	4,472	5,000		5,000
Health Agencies	9	14,866	14,866	15,093		15,093
WELFARE						
Welfare-Administration	9	250	237	250		250
Intergovernmental Welfare	9	2,188	2,188	2,406		2,406
Welfare-Vendor Payments	9	10,500	7,040	10,500		10,500
CULTURE AND RECREATION						
Parks & Recreation	10	42,500	40,245	63,750		63,750
Tracy Memorial Library	11	195,531	195,534	201,424		201,424
Patriotic Purposes	11	300	300	300		300
Other Culture	11&12	10,800	576	10,800		10,800
CONSERVATION						
Conservation-Administration	13	10,370	8,865	10,470		10,470
Other Conservation	13	10,000	9,940	10,000		10,000
DEBT SERVICE						
Bonded Debt	14	150,000	150,000	150,000		150,000
Interest	14	58,705	56,710	49,620		49,620
Interest-TANS	14	500	0	0		0
CAPITAL OUTLAY						
Capital Outlay - Land	25			150,000		150,000
Capital Outlay-Vehicles,Mach.,Equip.	17-20,23	202,696	111,954	291,703		291,703
Capital Outlay - Buildings	21&22	6,000	5,975	84,000		84,000
Capital Outlay-Improvements		450,000	0	0		0
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT						
Transfers to Capital Reserves	15&16	164,000	164,000	171,900		171,900
		\$4,078,046	\$3,225,663	\$4,326,554		\$4,326,554

BUDGET OF THE TOWN (MS-7)
Estimated 1997 Revenue/Actual 1997 Receipts
Estimated Revenue January 1, 1998 - December 1998

SOURCE OF REVENUE	ESTIMATED REVENUES	RECEIVED 12-31-97	SELECTMEN'S PROPOSED	BUDGET COMM. PROPOSED
TAXES				
Land Use Change Tax (CU)	\$ 4,580	\$ 5,498	\$ 4,600	\$ 4,600
Yield Tax	3,650	3,990	10,000	10,000
Interest & Penalties	52,000	49,902	52,500	52,500
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
Business Licenses	7,500	7,201	7,000	7,000
Motor Vehicles Fees	490,000	544,780	528,500	528,500
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	19,356	20,133	18,737	18,737
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FEMA Grant	0	0	128,090	128,090
Other	0	0	221,501	221,501
FROM STATE				
Shared Revenue Block Grant	68,093	68,093	68,093	68,093
Highway Block Grant	86,837	86,837	86,553	86,553
Water Pollution Grants	75,755	75,755	72,230	72,230
Other State Grants & Reimb.	1,795	1,795	46,160	46,160
CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
Income from Departments	52,610	63,768	51,510	51,510
Other Charges	700	865	700	700
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
Sale of Municipal Property	7,156	7,796	7,500	7,500
Interest on Investments	60,800	80,145	70,800	70,800
Other	241,105	238,399	313,857	313,857

INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

Enterprise Fund - Sewer	443,857	442,498	454,816	454,816
Capital Reserve Fund	136,796	111,980	216,100	216,100
Trust & Agency Funds	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES

Proceeds-Long Term Bonds & Notes	0	0		
Fund Balance Voted From Surplus	0	0		
Fund Balance To Reduce Taxes	30,500	30,500		

TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS

\$1,788,090	\$1,844,935	\$2,364,247	\$2,364,247
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10% LIMITATIONS OF APPROPRIATIONS

TOTAL RECOMMENDED BY BUDGET COMMITTEE

\$4,326,554.00

LESS EXCLUSIONS:

Principal-Long Term Debt	150,000.00
Interest-Long Term Debt	49,260.00

TOTAL EXCLUSIONS

199,260.00

AMOUNT RECOMMENDED LESS EXCLUSION AMOUNT

\$4,127,294.00

MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE INCREASE

\$ 412,729.40

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Despite continuing efforts to improve our long-term planning, this past year certainly reminds us that unexpected difficulties will arise. And once again, these challenges were well handled by our outstanding town employees and volunteers.

We had a number of personnel changes in 1997. Sallie Johnson, our town Finance Officer departed for the "big city" of Hanover and Carolyn Fraley, wife of our town Tree Warden and long time Planning Board Secretary assumed that job for New London. Our Treasurer, Dave Eberly, decided to step down and Steve Mendelson, last year's Municipal Association Volunteer of the Year, graciously accepted that task. And finally, April Whittaker finished her term on the Board of Selectmen, and Mark Kaplan was elected to fill that slot. To those who have left us, thanks for all your hard work. And welcome to our new staff and management.

1997 saw the initiation of mail-in auto registrations which 1/3 of our citizens used this first year. It was suggested by Selectman Ed Taylor and made possible by the hard work of Lois Marshall and Linda Hardy in the Town Clerk's office.

The Selectmen's Citizen Advisory Committee, a group of 21 volunteers from the community chosen to provide their advice and counsel to the Selectmen, were very helpful again this year. They reviewed the Police Chief's Association management report of our Police Department, and continued to help us consider the Police Department's need for new or renovated office space. We studied many possible solutions to this problem including use of some of Colby-Sawyer's facilities, the Academy Building and the maintenance garage, the construction of a facility in the back of the fire station and the renovation of the existing space. We will conduct a feasibility study in 1998 to determine the best way to solve this continuing problem.

This was a great year for New London in the area of solid waste collection and disposal.

- The 1997 tipping fee at the Claremont incinerator was reduced from \$96/ton to \$74/ton resulting in a savings to the town in the amount of \$40,500. In addition, the tipping fee has been further reduced as of January 1, 1998; so there will be additional savings in 1998.
- The Solid Waste District was involved in a lawsuit with the Town of Acworth, which has been adjudicated in favor of the District. There will be a court hearing to ascertain how much the Town of Acworth owes the District for illegally leaving the District.
- In March 1997, the District initiated a lawsuit against one of the haulers who was behind on its payments. After many months of negotiations, court hearings, and discovery this case was finally resolved, and the District received an amount in excess of \$150,000.
- During this past year, a new Project Manager was hired and she is doing a fine job on behalf of all the cities and towns in the District.

Based on the results from the Goals 2000 project, a Sidewalk Committee was initiated and spent considerable time studying the best way to improve the pedestrian experience in New London. We are hoping to get outside funding for 80% of the cost of our first project which will be presented at the 1999 Town Meeting.

The ancient dispatch console in the Police Department finally became too expensive to maintain, and a new one was installed. This provides a new measure of service for our citizens and a safer environment for our officers. The new console allows the monitoring of multiple channels simultaneously which improves and facilitates radio contact with officers in the field.

The Town's 15-year Cable TV Franchise agreement ended in January 1998. The Selectmen, with the able assistance of volunteer Dave Colter, spent much of the year trying to negotiate a new cable franchise for New London, while TDS was in the process of divesting itself of its cable TV business. We have continued to negotiate with Susquehanna Cable Company, the company which will buy the business from TDS, and will sign a new 10-year cable franchise agreement early in 1998.

Finally, the Selectmen would like to thank Ilene Healy and Amy Rankins without whom the Selectmen would miss every deadline.

Respectfully submitted,
DOUGLAS W. LYON, Chairman
EDMUND R. TAYLOR
MARK KAPLAN

**TOWN OF NEW LONDON
TOWN MEETING - MARCH 11 AND 12, 1997**

Balloting - Whipple Memorial Town Hall

Moderator Hilary P. Cleveland called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. after the Supervisors of the Checklist were sworn in. She announced the absentee ballots would be called at 2:00 p.m. A motion was made and seconded to recess the meeting at 12:00 noon; however, the polls would remain open until 7:00 p.m. The meeting will reconvene on Wednesday evening, March 12, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. at the Kearsarge Regional Middle School.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 1: It was moved and seconded:

- A. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.
- B. To vote by ballot on amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance.
- C. To vote by ballot to modify the elderly exemptions from property tax

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

The polls closed at 7:00 p.m., and the results were read by Moderator Cleveland at 8:45 p.m.

Results of Non-Partisan Balloting for Town Officials:

Total registered voters - 2,889; 695 regular ballots distributed; 5 spoiled ballots leaving 690 regular ballots cast and 84 absentee ballots cast for a total of 774 ballots cast or 26.8% of the total registered voters.

	NO. OF VOTES
Selectman (For 3 Years) Vote for One	
Mark Kaplan	440
Suzanne R. Jesseman	313
Selectman (For 1 Year) Vote for One	
Douglas W. Lyon	675
Town Clerk (For 3 Years) Vote for One	
Lois E. Marshall	739
Treasurer (For 3 Years) Vote for One	
David A. Eberly	711
Budget Committee (For 3 Years) Vote for Three	
Sue Clough	642
Robert A. Foose	559
Christopher E. Holm	480
Shaun P. Carroll	383
Fire Chief (For 1 Year) Vote for One	
Walter E. Partridge, Jr.	711

Trustee of Trust Funds (For 3 Years) Vote for One

William D. Hutchens, Jr.	693
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Sewer Commissioner (For 3 Years) Vote for One

Ann Beardsley	700
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Cemetery Commissioner (For 3 Years) Vote for One

Walton W. Chadwick	744
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Library Trustee (For 3 Years) Vote for Three

George A. Doolittle	605
Jack Flynn	555
Robert T. Wallace	505
Luisa Yatchisin	374

Kearsarge Regional School District Moderator (For 1 Year) Vote for One

Bob Bowers	692
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Kearsarge Regional School District Charter Question

The Kearsarge Regional School District's current form of governance, the open town meeting, requires that all matters that by law need to be acted upon by the voters of the District be voted at the Annual Meeting of the District or special meetings. Prior to putting warrant articles to a vote, they are explained, discussed and are subject to amendment. The warrant articles are then voted by those physically present at the meeting.

The proposed Charter, if adopted would change the method of voting on budgetary articles, those that raise and appropriate funds. The method of voting on all other types of articles would remain as above. The budgetary articles would continue to be explained, discussed and be subject to amendment by those present and voting at the Annual Meeting. What the Charter would change is then to add a second session of the Annual Meeting, at which time the budgetary articles would be voted on by Official Ballot. This second session would be held on the current Election Day, the second Tuesday in March, when voters vote for School District Officers. The Charter also provides for the use of absentee ballots for voting on budgetary articles only.

Shall the School District Approve the Charter recommended by the Charter Commission?

New London Vote	Yes - 347	No - 288
School District Vote	Yes - 1,462	No - 835

Article 1. C: Elderly Exemption Question

"Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of New London, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$20,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 6 years, own the real estate individually, or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such persons spouse they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$13,400, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$20,400; and own assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of a person's residence."

Rationale: Failure of the town to adopt the above modified elderly exemption will result in the town, by statute, only allowing for a \$5,000 exemption off assessed values through all age levels which will result in hardship to existing, qualified elderly taxpayers. The above exemption values are the current values that the town had previously adopted.

Yes - 659 No - 64

Article 1. B: Ballot Results on Amendments to the New London Zoning Ordinance

All the proposed zoning amendments passed and have been incorporated into the Town of New London's Zoning Ordinance. The votes recorded were as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 1:	Yes - 661	No - 89
AMENDMENT NO. 2:	Yes - 625	No - 108
AMENDMENT NO. 3:	Yes - 632	No - 80
AMENDMENT NO. 4:	Yes - 687	No - 46
AMENDMENT NO. 5:	Yes - 608	No - 129
AMENDMENT NO. 6:	Yes - 552	No - 182
AMENDMENT NO. 7:	Yes - 655	No - 76
AMENDMENT NO. 8:	Yes - 691	No - 45
AMENDMENT NO. 9:	Yes - 649	No - 67
AMENDMENT NO. 10:	Yes - 622	No - 83
AMENDMENT NO. 11:	Yes - 672	No - 53
AMENDMENT NO. 12:	Yes - 672	No - 58
AMENDMENT NO. 13:	Yes - 694	No - 48
AMENDMENT NO. 14:	Yes - 620	No - 115
AMENDMENT NO. 15:	Yes - 670	No - 52
AMENDMENT NO. 16:	Yes - 644	No - 79
AMENDMENT NO. 17:	Yes - 686	No - 44

CONTINUATION OF TOWN MEETING - MARCH 12, 1997 KEARSARGE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Moderator Hilary P. Cleveland reconvened the Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. The number of voters who checked in with the Ballot Clerks and received Yes/No ballots was 337. Moderator Cleveland read the results of the Tuesday, March 11, 1997, election.

Moderator Cleveland thanked Thelma Kaplan and her committee for the delicious and fun Potluck Supper served from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria. Thelma's committee members were Michele Holton, Rebecca Hill, Robin Cook, Deborah Stanley, Martin Feins, Julien LeBourgeois, Donald Wright, Donald Sisson, John MacKenna Sharon Lucas, Kimberly Giles, Barbara Brown and Marion Hafner. About 150 people attended the supper.

Mr. Edmund Taylor, Selectman, was recognized by Moderator Cleveland, and he put the budget in perspective. Most of the large increases are nonrecurring items which are offset by increased revenues. Should all the articles pass there will be virtually no increase in the Town's portion of the tax rate.

Moderator Cleveland recognized Frank Gordon who made the following motion, "That at this meeting we suspend the reading, by the Moderator, of the individual articles of the Warrant, and that she be permitted to refer to them by number." Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 2: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate an amount not to exceed \$450,000 and to authorize the Board of Sewer Commissioners to expend said sum for the purpose of constructing a sanitary sewer line in the Edmunds Road, Old Main Street, Knights Hill and Pleasant Street area of New London; such sum to include the purchase of land and easements. Said sum is to be raised by the issuance of serial bonds or notes not to exceed 20 years under and in compliance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (New Hampshire RSA 33:1, et seq., as amended); and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; additionally to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Sewer Commissioners to participate in the State Revolving Fund (SRF) per RSA 486:14 established for this purpose; and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen and Sewer Commissioners to apply for, accept, and expend any Federal, State, or other available funds towards the project, according to the terms under which they are received, and to borrow in anticipation of receipt of such aid or the issuance of such bonds or notes, by the issuance of notes or notes payable in anticipation of such bonds, notes or aid as provided by the Municipal Finance Act, as amended; and further notwithstanding that the bonds, or notes shall be a general obligation to the Town, the Board of Sewer Commissioners is hereby directed to establish betterment fees sufficient to pay 100% of the principal and interest due with respect to the bonds or notes issued hereunder to be paid by those served or receiving a special benefit from the lines to be constructed hereunder in accordance with RSA 149:I:7; and to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Sewer Commissioners to take all other actions as may be necessary to carry out the project in the best interest of the Town of New London." *The Board of Selectmen, Sewer Commissioners and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (2/3 vote by ballot required)

Moderator Cleveland announced the ballot box would be open for one hour as required by law for voting on this article.

325 BALLOTS CAST	Yes - 306	No - 18	Void - 1
217 YES VOTES REQUIRED TO PASS ARTICLE			

ARTICLE 3: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **general municipal operations.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Executive	66,286	62,877
Elections, Registration & Vitals	33,944	33,874
Financial Administration (see also warrant article #17)	194,894	159,749
Revaluation of Property (see also warrant article #28)	15,000	12,000
Legal Expense	20,300	21,300
Employee Benefits	321,982	285,682
Planning and Zoning	21,380	35,480
General Government Buildings	69,420	75,134
Cemeteries	22,000	26,000
Insurance	94,900	103,500
Advertising & Regional Assoc (see also warr. article #31)	9,457	6,957
TOTAL	869,563	822,553

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 4: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Public Safety.**” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Police Department	262,919	258,234
Fire Department	46,798	46,353
Emergency Management	1,600	1,700
Dispatch Center	133,620	124,536
TOTAL	444,937	430,823

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Moderator Cleveland recognized Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, April Whittaker, who made a motion, “To take up Article 26 before acting on Article 5.” Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 26: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a multi-year lease agreement (7 years) for the purpose of leasing an **excavator** for the Highway Department, and to raise and appropriate the sum of eleven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$11,700) for the first year’s payment for that purpose.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (2/3 vote required)

324 BALLOTS CAST	Yes - 301	No - 23
216 YES VOTES REQUIRED TO PASS ARTICLE		

While voting on Article 26 was taking place, Moderator Cleveland recognized Selectman Whittaker who made a motion, “To lay on the table Article 5 until the outcome of the vote on Article 26 has been determined.” Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 6: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Sanitation.**” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Solid Waste Administration	67,808	64,571
Solid Waste Collection	39,750	62,450
Landfill Repair	142,000	-
Solid Waste Disposal	196,500	260,200
Hazardous Waste Day	4,000	-
Sewage Collection and Disposal	411,726	386,036
TOTAL	861,784	773,257

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 7: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Health Agencies, Health Department, Welfare and Intergovernmental Welfare.**” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Kearsarge Council on Aging	6,300	6,000
New London Ambulance	3,758	12,998
Lake Sunapee VNA	8,566	11,162
Health Department	5,000	3,950
Welfare Administration	250	250
Welfare/Vendor Payments	10,500	10,500
Intergovernmental Welfare/CAP	2,188	2,188
TOTAL	36,562	47,048

Moderator Cleveland recognized Selectman Douglas Lyon, who made a motion, "To change the New London ambulance figure of \$3,758 to zero, making the total to be appropriated for 1997 to \$32,802." Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON AMENDMENT

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON THE AMENDED ARTICLE

Moderator announced the vote on Article 26 (recorded above) and recognized Selectman Whittaker who made a motion, "To remove Article 5 from the table." Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 5: "It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Highways and Streets.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Highway Administration	203,256	177,270
Highway & Street Construct(see also warrant article #26)	325,200	330,470
Bridge Maintenance	-	10,000
Street Lighting	25,600	24,500
TOTAL	554,056	542,240

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 8: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the expansion of the Parks and Recreation Department and to vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to hire the part - time recreation employee (includes wages, other general and administrative expenses for 8 months beginning May 1, 1997 in the first year.)" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 9: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Culture and Recreation.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Parks and Recreation (see also warrant article #8)	28,500	28,200
Tracy Memorial Library	195,531	181,470
Patriotic Purposes	300	300
History and Archives (see also warrant article # 30)	800	800
TOTAL	225,131	210,770

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 10: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Conservation.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Conservation Administration	10,370	13,870
Care of Trees	10,000	8,000
TOTAL	20,370	21,870

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 11: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for the payment of **principal and interest of long-term debt, and for tax anticipation notes (TANS).**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Principal/ Bonds and Notes	150,000	150,000
Interest/Bonds and Notes	58,705	67,755
Interest/TANS	500	500
TOTAL	209,205	218,255

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 12: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established **Capital Reserve Funds** as follows:" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

	1997	1996
Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund	30,000	30,000
Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	70,000	61,000
Dispatch Radio Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	10,000	10,000
Conservation Land Acquisition Capital Reserve Fund	8,500	8,500
Town Hall Generator Replacement Capital Reserve Fund	5,000	5,000
Sidewalk Installation Capital Reserve Fund	25,000	5,000
TOTAL	148,500	119,500

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

Moderator Cleveland recognized Selectman Whittaker who noted that Welfare Officer Alf E. Jacobson's name had inadvertently been left out of the Town Report. She expressed on behalf

of the Board of Selectmen appreciation to Alf for his fine work as Welfare Officer. Also recognized for hard work performed as volunteers were the following:

William S. Berger - Budget Committee

Toni Berns - Recreation Commission

Sherida Ensign - Tracy Library Trustee

Timothy vanBlommestein - Recreation Commission

Beatson Wallace - Tracy Library Trustee

The following three people are not leaving positions but deserve special recognition for their work on behalf of the town and, "for saving the town a lot of money in a most cheerful manner."

Donald Bent - Health Officer

Bryan Jones - NH/VT Solid Waste District

Mark Kaplan - NH/VT Solid Waste District

One particular person deserves special recognition—Robert Fraley has been our Tree Warden for 14 years and last year performed the stupendous task, together with Jim Wells (his neighbor), of naming every tree located on town property and presented the town with a map showing the inventory.

Selectman Lyon was recognized by Moderator Cleveland. Doug introduced Dr. Anne Ponder, President of Colby-Sawyer College, who read the following letter addressed to April Whittaker. "Congratulations on the conclusion of your stellar service as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Your efforts and leadership have certainly benefited the New London community. I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your good offices during my first year in New London. Your work in the leadership of the town has played an important part in the extremely positive relationship that the town enjoys with its college. Colby-Sawyer College joins in formal recognition of your term with this letter of gratitude. Thank you for a job well done!"

Selectman Lyon continued. "April Whittaker is leaving the Board of Selectmen after three years. I am not normally a person of few words; however, my commanding officer has asserted that we must move this meeting along expeditiously, so I am first going to present April with a Certificate of Appreciation that is really coming from a lot of people but primarily from the "rookies," Ed and me. April has spent a considerable amount of time educating us on the vagaries of town government. No one has worked harder for the town of New London than April. She deserves tremendous credit for all she has done and appreciation from everyone in the audience." Selectman Lyon also presented April with a rocking chair as a gift from the town.

Selectman Whittaker acknowledged receipt of the gifts and announced she has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Municipal Association, so she will still be very busy. She urged the audience to continue to volunteer—there are many opportunities available. Selectman Whittaker read a letter from Dr. Jean R. Richards, Superintendent, and Roberta J. Geoffrion, Transportation Director of the Kearsarge Regional School District/SAU #65. "I would like to extend a word of gratitude and appreciation to Richard Lee, Road Agent and to the staff of New London Highway Department for all their outstanding efforts, over and above the call of duty, in keeping the roads of New London safe for the transportation of students and personnel of the Kearsarge Regional School District.

“Also, to thank Richard Lee and his staff for their advice and support during the crucial weather decision making of the road conditions and their promptness in addressing all our difficult concerns as soon as possible through out the year.

“We and the townspeople of New London are fortunate to have such a conscientious Highway Department.”

ARTICLE 13: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to name the existing Town Office addition in memory of Harold W. Buker, Jr., to be named the ‘Harold W. Buker Jr. Town Offices,’ and to authorize the Selectmen to design and create a plaque to be permanently placed on the building in his memory.” *The Board of Selectmen recommend this warrant article.* (Majority vote required)

UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 14: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the previously established **Town Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund** and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to be agents to expend of the fund.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 15: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) to replace the heating system at the Fire Department and erect a storage building to house the heating fuel tank. *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 16: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to establish a Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of **bridge repair & maintenance fund** and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 17: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to establish a Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of a **computer maintenance/replacement Fund** and to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) to be placed in this fund and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 18: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-six thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$26,750) for the purchase

of a **police cruiser.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 19: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) for the purchase of a **diesel fuel tank.**" *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 20: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to purchase a **refuse tractor** and to authorize the withdrawal of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 21: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$15,500) to purchase a **sidewalk mower/blower tractor** and to authorize the withdrawal of fifteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$15,500) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 22: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400) to purchase a **10 ton equipment trailer** and to authorize the withdrawal of eight thousand four hundred dollars (\$8,400) from the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 23: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety-two thousand eight hundred ninety-six dollars (\$92,896) to purchase a **fire tanker** and to authorize the withdrawal of ninety-two thousand eight hundred ninety-six dollars (\$92,896) from the Fire Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 24: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eight thousand one hundred and fifty dollars (\$8,150) for the purpose of **hiring an engineer** to examine, survey and design a plan to reinforce the Pleasant Lake Dam."

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 25: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase **playground equipment** at Elkins Beach.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Moderator Cleveland recognized Robert Prohl who proposed to amend Article 25 by increasing the appropriation from \$5,000 to \$25,000. Motion was seconded.

Carol Stedman was recognized by Moderator Cleveland, and Ms. Stedman proposed an amendment to the amendment by adding the following after the sum of \$25,000: “said funds to be raised by donation.” Motion was seconded.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT DEFEATED BY HAND VOTE -
Yes - 117 No - 128

Moderator Cleveland recognized Lloyd Littlefield who proposed an amendment to the amendment by adding the following after the sum of \$25,000: “\$15,000 of which will be raised by donation.” Motion was seconded.

AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT PASSED BY HAND VOTE -
Yes - 120 No - 119

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON AMENDED ARTICLE 25

ARTICLE 26 ACTED ON AFTER ARTICLE 4.

ARTICLE 27: It was moved and seconded, “In accordance with RSA 41:11-a, to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 2-year lease agreement with the State of New Hampshire for the New London District Court to rent space in the New London Town Hall.” *The Board of Selectmen recommend this warrant article.* (2/3 vote required)

UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 28: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) for a complete **revaluation** and authorize the withdrawal of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose, and transfer any accumulated interest to date of withdrawal to the general fund. The balance of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) is to come from general taxation.” *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

245 BALLOTS CAST RESULTING IN A NEGATIVE VOTE
Yes - 104 No - 138 Void - 3

ARTICLE 29: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) for the purpose of erecting a **signal light** at the intersection of Newport Road and County Road, and to authorize the receipt of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) reimbursement from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation, and the sum of twenty-nine thousand eight hundred thirty-five dollars and sixty cents (\$29,835.60) to be received from traffic impact fees. The balance of twenty thousand one hundred sixty-four dollars and forty cents (\$20,164.40) is to come from general taxation." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

Moderator Cleveland recognized Selectman Whittaker who proposed an amendment to Article 29 by deleting the remainder of the article after "the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation," and replacing it with the following: "and the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) is to come from general taxation." Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON THE AMENDMENT

HAND VOTE IN THE NEGATIVE ON THE AMENDED ARTICLE

Yes - 96 No - 120

ARTICLE 30: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the previously established **Town History/Publication Fund**, and to add any accrued interest during 1997 to the said fund. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the History is published or 1999, whichever is sooner." *The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 31: It was moved and seconded, "To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain, with State approval, two signs, approximately 5' X 3', one to be located on Main Street approximately 800 feet north of Crocketts Corner on the east side, and the second sign to be located approximately 1300 feet east of I-89 on the south side of Newport Road (opposite Old Route 11) announcing '**Welcome to New London, All services just ahead**', and to authorize the Selectmen to determine the design of the signs, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for this purpose; said funds to be raised by donation. **The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee recommend this appropriation.** (Majority vote required)

Carol Stedman was recognized by Moderator Cleveland. Ms. Stedman made a motion to amend Article 31 to read as follows: "To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain, with State approval, two signs, less than 10 square feet, one to be located on Main Street approximately 800 feet north of Crockett's Corner on the east side, and the second sign to be located approximately 1,300 feet east of I-89 on the south side of Newport Road (opposite Old Route 11) announcing '**Welcome to New London,**' it will be similar in appearance to the sign presently located at the New London Town Offices and should be constructed of durable materials with traditional methods, *(historically, this design is similar to the original Chamber of Commerce signs that existed through the late 70's)*, and to authorize the Selectmen to approve the design of the signs, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of not more than

one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) for this purpose; said funds to be raised by donation.” Motion was seconded.

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON THE AMENDMENT
VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE ON THE AMENDED ARTICLE

ARTICLE 32: It was moved and seconded, “To see if the Town will vote to authorize the acceptance of a gift of real property comprising 4.5 acres, Tax Map 91, Lot 36, 34 Columbus Avenue, subject to a Conservation Easement in perpetuity.” *The Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission recommend this acquisition.* (Majority vote required)

VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

ARTICLE 33: It was moved and seconded, “To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.” *The Board of Selectmen recommend this warrant article.* (Majority vote required)

There being no reports from agents, auditors, or committees, Moderator Hilary P. Cleveland declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Lois E. Marshall, Town Clerk

A True Copy Attest: Lois E. Marshall, Town Clerk

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1997
(UNAUDITED)

ACCOUNT NAME	APPROPRIATIONS	RECEIPTS AND REIMBURSE	TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE	EXPENDED Dec. 31, 1997	ENCUMBERED FORWARD	UNEXPENDED BALANCE	OVER DRAFT
Executive	\$66,286.00	\$	\$66,286.00	\$66,933.42	\$	\$	\$-(647.42)
Election & Registration	33,944.00		33,944.00	31,879.61		2,064.39	
Financial Administration	194,894.00		194,894.00	184,223.09		10,670.91	
Revaluation of Property	15,000.00		15,000.00	14,740.69		259.31	
Legal Expense	20,300.00		20,300.00	12,278.90		8,021.10	
Employee Benefits	321,982.00		321,982.00	291,825.59		30,156.41	
Planning & Zoning	21,380.00		21,380.00	26,052.77			(-4,672.77)
General Govt Buildings	69,420.00		69,420.00	68,861.93		558.07	
Cemeteries	22,000.00		22,000.00	21,035.04		964.96	
Insurance	94,900.00		94,900.00	93,792.00		1,108.00	
Regional Associations	11,257.00		11,257.00	10,622.98		634.02	
Police Department	262,919.00		262,919.00	257,550.53		5,368.47	
Fire Department	46,798.00		46,798.00	50,512.16			(-3,714.16)
Emergency Management	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,476.68		123.32	
Police Dispatch	133,620.00		133,620.00	118,967.50		14,652.50	
Highway Administration	203,256.00		203,256.00	177,568.67		25,687.33	
Highways & Streets	336,900.00		336,900.00	310,468.85		26,431.15	
Street Lighting	25,600.00		25,600.00	26,770.14			(-1,170.14)
Solid Waste Administration	67,808.00		67,808.00	56,865.41		10,942.59	
Solid Waste Collection	181,750.00		181,750.00	24,786.02		156,963.98	
Solid Waste Disposal	196,500.00		196,500.00	190,034.93		6,465.07	
Solid Waste Cleanup	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,787.00		213.00	
Sewage Collection & Disp.	411,726.00		411,726.00	411,726.00			
Health Department	5,000.00		5,000.00	4,472.20		527.80	

Health Agencies	14,866.00	14,866.00	14,866.00	
Welfare - Administration	250.00	250.00	236.82	13.18
Intergovernmental Welfare	2,188.00	2,188.00	2,188.00	
Welfare - Vendor Payments	10,500.00	10,500.00	7,040.34	3,459.66
Parks & Recreation	42,500.00	42,500.00	40,245.12	2,254.88
Tracy Memorial Library	195,531.00	195,531.00	195,534.00	(-3.00)
Patriotic Purposes	300.00	300.00	300.00	
Other Culture - Archives	10,800.00	11,809.68	575.68	11,009.68
Conservation - Admin.	10,370.00	10,370.00	8,865.46	224.32
Care of Trees	10,000.00	10,000.00	9,940.00	1,504.54
Bonded Debt	150,000.00	150,000.00	150,000.00	60.00
Bonded Debt-Interest	58,705.00	58,705.00	58,705.00	
Interest- TANS	500.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Capital Outlay: Vehicles, Mach.	202,696.00	202,696.00	111,953.72	41,092.28
Capital Outlay: Buildings	6,000.00	6,000.00	5,975.00	25.00
Transfers to Cap. Reserve	164,000.00	164,000.00	164,000.00	
1996 Encumbered Forward	45,213.44	45,213.44	9,698.49	35,514.95
TOTAL	\$3,673,259.44	\$	\$3,674,269.12	\$96,174.63
			\$3,237,355.74	\$350,946.24
				\$(-10,207.49)
NET UNEXPENDED				\$340,738.75

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1997
(UNAUDITED)

<u>TITLE OF REVENUE</u>	<u>1997 Estimate</u>	<u>1997 Revenues</u>
Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 4,580.00	\$ 5,498.00
Yield Taxes	3,650.00	3,990.39
Interest & Penalties on Taxes	52,000.00	49,902.18
Business Licenses	7,500.00	7,200.73
Motor Vehicle Fees	490,000.00	544,780.30
Other Licenses, Permits, Fees	19,356.00	20,132.66
FEMA Grant	0.00	0.00
Shared Revenue Block Grant	68,093.00	68,093.00
Highway Block Grant	86,837.00	86,837.34
State Aid Water Pollution Control	75,755.00	75,755.00
Other State Grants & Reimbursements	1,795.00	1,795.00
Income from Departments	52,610.00	63,767.76
Income from Sewer Department	411,726.00	411,726.00
Other Charges	700.00	865.00
Special Assessments	7,723.00	6,363.85
Sale of Municipal Property	7,156.00	7,796.01
Interest on Investments	60,800.00	80,144.98
Rent of Town Property	18,550.00	18,024.90
Fines & Forfeits	2,625.00	1,750.00
Insurance Reimbursements	73,950.00	69,507.32
Insurance Dividends	52,739.00	50,865.75
Insurance Claims	10,058.00	10,058.71
Contributions & Donations	53,189.00	58,216.89
Revenue - Other Misc Sources	29,994.00	29,975.28
Transfers - Sewer Department	24,408.00	24,408.00
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	136,796.00	111,980.00
Transfers - Trust & Agency Funds	5,000.00	5,000.00
Budgetary Use of Fund Balance	<u>30,500.00</u>	<u>30,500.00</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$1,788,090.00</u>	<u>\$1,844,935.05</u>

**TOWN OF NEW LONDON
SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS
DECEMBER 31, 1997
(UNAUDITED)**

BY TAXATION:

Prior Year Property Tax	\$ 339,542.54
Interest	43,838.06
Over Payments	18.50
Tax Sales Redeemed	115,120.09
1997 Property Tax	6,649,143.62
Interest	6,064.12
Over Payments	8,113.34
Yield Tax	3,990.39
Land Use Change Tax	5,498.00

FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Revenue Sharing Block Grant	163,770.81
Sewer Bond	75,755.00
Highway Block Grant	86,837.34
Other State Grants & Reimbursements	1,795.00

FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES

Business Licenses	7,200.73
Motor Vehicle Fees	544,780.30
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	20,132.66
Income from Departments	63,767.76
Sewer User Charges	415,997.55
Other Charges	865.00
Sewer Betterment/Goose Hole	6,363.85
Sales of Municipal Property	7,796.01
Interest on Investments	80,144.98
Rents of Property	18,024.90
Fines & Forfeits	1,750.00
Insurance Reimbursements	69,507.32
Insurance Dividends	50,865.75
Insurance Claims	10,058.71
Contributions & Donations	58,216.89
Revenue-Other Misc. Sources	29,975.28
Transfers - Sewer Department	24,408.00
Transfers - Capital Reserve Funds	111,980.00
Transfers - Trust & Agency Fund	5,000.00
Cemetery Lot Sales	4,600.00
Payments Due State	10,597.00
Payments Due NL Sewer Comm.	22,061.13
Refunds from Library (Payroll)	138,410.40
Refunds from, Sewer (Payroll)	84,974.71

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$9,286,965.74

TOWN OF NEW LONDON
SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS
December 31, 1997
(UNAUDITED)

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive	\$ 66,933.42
Election, Registration & Vitals	31,879.61
Financial Administration	184,223.09
Revaluation of Property	14,740.69
Legal Expenses	12,278.90
Employee Benefits	291,825.59
Planning and Zoning	26,052.77
General Governmental Buildings	68,861.93
Cemeteries	21,035.04
Insurance	93,792.00
Regional Associations	10,622.98

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	257,550.53
Fire Department	50,512.16
Emergency Management	1,476.68
Dispatch	118,967.50

HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

Highway Administration	177,568.67
Highways and Streets	310,468.85
Street Lighting	26,770.14

SANITATION

Solid Waste Administration	56,865.41
Solid Waste Collection	24,786.02
Solid Waste Disposal	190,034.93
Solid Waste Cleanup	3,787.00
Sewage Collection & Disposal	415,997.57

HEALTH

Health Department	4,472.20
Health Agencies	14,866.00

WELFARE

Welfare - Administration	236.82
Intergovernmental Welfare	2,188.00
Welfare-Vendor Payments	7,040.34

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Parks and Recreation	40,245.12
Tracy Memorial Library	195,534.00
Patriotic Purposes	300.00
Other Culture - Archives	575.68

CONSERVATION

Conservation - Administration	8,865.46
Care of Trees	9,940.00

DEBT SERVICE

Principal on Long Term Debt	150,000.00
Interest on Long Term Notes	56,710.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Vehicles, Mach., Equipment	111,953.72
Buildings (Maint. Projects)	5,975.00

OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT

Transfers to Capital Reserve Funds	164,000.00
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TOTAL PAYMENTS - 1997 WARRANT**\$3,229,933.82******OTHER PAYMENTS**

Merrimack County Taxes	997,170.00
NL Sewer (Job Seamans/Birch Acres)	22,061.11
State of New Hampshire	10,597.00
Kearsarge Regional School Dist.	4,045,509.00
Trustee of the Trust Fund	4,600.00
Taxes Bought by Town	129,499.61
Water Precinct Taxes	106,462.36
Refunds	16,941.54
Salaries - Library	138,093.05
Salaries - Sewer	84,974.71
Payroll Deductions	1,779.47
1996 Accounts Payable	4,748.16
1996 Encumbered	8,994.99

TOTAL OTHER PAYMENTS**5,571,431.00****1997 SELECTMEN'S ORDERS PAID****\$8,801,364.82**

** Total Payments - 1997 Warrant	\$3,229,933.82
Adjustment - Prepaid Interest/Bond	1,995.00
Adjustment-Sewer Budget	(-4,271.57)
1996 Encumbered	9,698.49
Expended Dec. 31, 1997	<u><u>\$3,237,355.74</u></u>

TOWN TREASURER

As your Town Treasurer for the last six months, I wish to express a deep gratitude to my predecessor, David Eberly, for a job well done. When I assumed the tasks of Treasurer, I found David's help and guidance invaluable and hope that I may continue to steer the Town on the same sound financial course as he did. I would be remiss not to mention the assistance received from the Town Finance Officer, Carolyn Fraley, the crew in the Town Office, and Sallie Johnson.

The Town of New London remains fiscally sound, as the reports below will attest. Through short-term investment with the New Hampshire Deposit Investment Pool, excess funds are safely and prudently invested earning the highest return allowable under the law. While local government continues its conservative fiscal policies, the trend towards higher expenditures continues, primarily due to the fiscal practices of the Kearsarge Regional School District and the Merrimack County Government. Looking toward the future it would appear that the Town is not facing any extraordinary expenses, nor that it will need to borrow to cover a shortfall.

Respectfully submitted,
STEVEN M. MENDELSON
Treasurer

NEW LONDON TOWN ACCOUNTS (Unaudited)

General Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$2,254,088.89	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>9,286,965.74</u>	\$11,541,054.63
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$8,801,364.82	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>2,739,689.81</u>	\$11,541,054.63

Conservation Commission Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 2,915.26	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>241.51</u>	\$ 3,156.77
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>3,156.77</u>	\$ 3,156.77

Conservation Commission Esther Currier Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 865.72	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>26.40</u>	\$ 892.12
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>892.12</u>	\$ 892.12

Conservation Commission Low Plains Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 8871.37	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>270.58</u>	\$ 9,141.95
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>9,141.95</u>	\$ 9,141.95

Monetta Escrow Accounts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 32,671.86	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>5,078.97</u>	\$ 37,750.83
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 32,137.99	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>5,612.84</u>	\$ 37,750.83

CWRH Concepts Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 146.52	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>2.21</u>	\$ 148.73
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 148.73	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>0.00</u>	\$ 148.73

LaRoche Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 1,010.23	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>15.20</u>	\$ 1,025.43
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 1,025.43	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>0.00</u>	\$ 1,025.43

Lull Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 1,000.32	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>30.51</u>	\$ 1,030.83
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>1,030.83</u>	\$ 1,030.83

Bell Escrow Accounts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>6,618.40</u>	\$ 6,618.40
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 1,493.50	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>5,124.90</u>	\$ 6,618.40

Ambros Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>1,012.14</u>	\$ 1,012.14
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>1,012.14</u>	\$ 1,012.14

Enpro Services Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	<u>1,012.55</u>	\$ 1,012.55
Amounts Paid Out Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$ 0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997	<u>1,012.55</u>	\$ 1,012.55

Sigma Data Escrow Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$	0.00	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997		<u>6,082.82</u>	\$ 6,082.82
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$	6,082.82	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997		<u>0.00</u>	\$ 6,082.82

SEWER COMMISSION ACCOUNTS (Unaudited)**Sewer Operating Account**

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$	133,797.37	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997		<u>608,284.35</u>	\$ 742,081.72
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$	576,737.84	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997		<u>165,343.88</u>	\$ 742,081.72

Sewer Replacement/Rehabilitation Accounts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$	243,473.36	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997		<u>245,392.84</u>	\$ 488,866.20
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$	180,000.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997		<u>308,866.20</u>	\$ 488,866.20

Sewer Construction Account

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$	1,095.34	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997		<u>25.65</u>	\$ 1,120.99
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$	0.00	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997		<u>1,120.99</u>	\$ 1,120.99

Job Seamans/Birch Acres Operating Accounts

Cash on Hand January 1, 1997	\$	27,965.92	
Amounts Received January 1 - Dec. 31, 1997		<u>43,616.28</u>	\$ 71,582.20
Amounts Paid Out Jan.1 - Dec. 31, 1997	\$	48,437.97	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1997		<u>23,144.23</u>	\$ 71,582.20

Respectfully submitted,
STEVEN M. MENDELSON
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1997

ISSUE OF DOG LICENSES:

4 Kennel Licenses	\$ 78.00
623 Dog Licenses	2,564.00
2 Dog Fines	125.00
Pay'ts due State on Dog Licenses	313.50
Pay'ts due State on Pet-Overpopulation Fund	987.00

PAYMENTS TO TREASURER **\$ 4,067.50**

AUTO REGISTRATIONS:

Auto Permits Issued	528,230.00
Title Fees	1,562.00
Municipal Agent Fees	14,167.00
Auto Overpayments	821.30

PAYMENTS TO TREASURER **544,780.30**

BOAT REGISTRATIONS:

Boat Permits Issued & Agent Fees	2,180.56
Pay'ts due State on Boat Registrations	3,947.50
Boat Fee Overpayments	1.00

PAYMENTS TO TREASURER **6,129.06**

ALL OTHER FEES:

455 Footpath Maps	455.00
20 Dredge & Fill Applications	275.86
25 Town Histories & 24 Hist. Sketches	274.00
Uniform Commercial Code Filings	2,224.53
20 Filling Fees	32.00
10 Proofs of Residency	40.00
Miscellaneous Fees	328.01
Non-Sufficient Fund Check Charges	100.00
Overpayments	28.00

CERTIFIED COPIES:

213 Birth Certificates	849.00
895 Death Certificates	2,821.00
15 Marriage Certificates	59.00
24 Marriage Licenses	168.00
Pay'ts due State on Cert. Copies & Marr. Lics.	<u>5,349.00</u>

PAYMENTS TO TREASURER **13,003.40**

TOTAL RECEIPTS **\$567,980.26**

TOTAL PAID TO TREASURER **\$567,980.26**

Respectfully submitted
 LOIS E. MARSHALL
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

TOWN OF NEW LONDON	1997	Levies of 1996	Prior
Uncollected Taxes -			
Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$	\$339,561.04	\$
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Sewer Rents		20,795.04	
Taxes Committed to Collector			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	7,027,251.32		
Land Use Change Tax	5,498.00		
Yield Taxes	4,114.92		
Sewer Rents	427,336.69		
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	942.12		
Overpayments:			
Property Taxes	8,127.31	18.50	
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Sewer Rents	71.24		
Interest Collected on			
Delinquent Taxes:	6,428.59	18,809.08	
Penalties Collected on			
Property Taxes		2,148.00	
Other Taxes			
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$7,479,770.19	\$381,331.66	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

TOWN OF NEW LONDON	1997	Levies of 1996	Prior
Remitted to Treasurer -			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$6,683,853.89	\$339,579.54	\$
Land Use Change Tax	5,498.00		
Yield Taxes	3,990.39		
Sewer Rents	393,951.68	20,795.04	
Interest on Taxes	6428.59	18,809.08	
Costs/Penalties		2,148.00	
Abatements Allowed:			
Property Taxes	13,068.22		
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Sewer Rents	348.00		
Deeded to Town During Year:			
Uncollected Taxes -			
End of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	339,398.64		
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	124.53		
Sewer Rents	33,108.25		
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$7,479,770.19	\$381,331.66	\$ 0.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

TOWN OF NEW LONDON	1996	Levies of 1995	Prior
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes - Beginning of Fiscal Year:	\$	\$59,034.35	\$43,791.08
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	129,499.61		
Interest Collected After Lien Execution:	2,728.47	6,229.92	13,562.81
Collected Redemption Costs:	381.00	168.00	737.91
TOTAL DEBITS:	\$132,609.08	\$65,432.27	\$58,091.80
Remittance to Treasurer - During Fiscal Year: Redemptions	50,674.58	26,956.41	37,489.10
Interest and Costs After Lien Execution	3,109.47	6,397.92	14,300.72
Abatement of Unredeemed Taxes:			
Deeded to Town During Year:			
Unredeemed Taxes - End of Fiscal Year:	78,825.03	32,077.94	6,301.98
TOTAL CREDITS:	\$132,609.08	\$65,432.27	\$58,091.80

SUMMARY OF SEWER RENTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

LEVY OF 1996 - FIRST & SECOND BILLINGS

Balance Due Uncollected Rents	\$20,795.04
Sewer Rents Collected & Remitted to Treasurer	20,795.04
Interest Collected & Remitted to Treasurer	917.81
Costs Collected & Remitted to Treasurer	138.50

LEVY OF 1997 - FIRST BILLING

RENTS COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:

Sewer Warrant	\$201,901.84
Interest Collected	311.51
Overpayments	4.61

TOTAL DEBITS:	\$202,217.96
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REMITTANCES TO TREASURER:

Sewer Rents Collected	\$195,448.92
Interest Collected	311.51
Uncollected Rents	6,457.53

TOTAL CREDITS:	\$202,217.96
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LEVY OF 1997 - SECOND BILLING

RENTS COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR:

Sewer Warrant	\$225,434.85
Interest Collected	21.51
Overpayments	66.63

TOTAL DEBITS:	\$225,522.99
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REMITTANCES TO TREASURER:

Sewer Rents Collected	\$198,502.76
Abatements	348.00
Interest Collected	21.51
Uncollected Rents	26,650.72

TOTAL CREDITS:	\$225,522.99
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UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX LIEN
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1997

TOWN OF NEW LONDON		1996	Levies of 1995	Previous
Alger, Mary Ellen				
024-02	Lakeshore Drive	\$1,644.09	\$	\$
Baldwin, Elizabeth				
059-15	308 County Road	1,327.24		
Bonanno, Janet A				
073-54	187 Main Street	7,094.48	4,405.90	
Brown, Clinton C., Jr.				
130-04	67 King Hill Road	2,313.08		
Bueschel, Bruce B. & Margaret E.				
136-12	228 King Hill Road	715.01		
Cadieux, Vincent R. & Winkler, R. & Gustitus, S.				
300-215	46 Newport Road #215	877.66	876.23	
300-217	46 Newport Road #217	854.16	852.73	
Carrington, Margaret E.				
046-09	59 Little Sunapee Road	899.11		
Cooper, Wade & Jody H				
122-04	176 Route 11	1,393.80		
Energy Watch Associates				
084-56	167 Main Street	3,119.50	3,324.85	
Faccone, William, Jr. & Allison				
083-01	89 Knights Hill Road	1,756.91		
First NH Bank				
139-04	5 Stonehouse Road	2,707.99		
Fucarile, Thomas C. & Barbara E.				
074-46	40 Birch Acres Road	4,158.84	4,151.85	6,301.98
Gott, L. Ross III & Susan R.				
117-01	44 Tracy Road	3,015.95	3,047.07	
Grace, Daniel L. & Cohen Lenard, & Ottobriani, Harold				
081-23	16 Columbus Avenue	655.34	661.83	

		1996	Levies of 1995	Previous
Grandgeorge, Douglas				
136-08A	231 King Hill Road	154.27		
Hoeft, Glenn				
094-14	5 Woodland Trace	995.45		
Korontjis, Theodore & Alexandra				
111-06	50 Shaker Street	2,059.31		
Laganas, Peter C.				
081-01	22 Farwell Lane	847.83	816.50	
081-02	18 Farwell Lane	608.08	607.06	
081-07	17 Farwell Lane	600.61	599.61	
081-08	23 Farwell Lane	1,738.59	1,735.66	
Martin, Betty J.				
095-35	9 Balsam Acres	613.70		
Moore, Peter V. & Susan E.				
033-16	121 Little Sunapee Road	3,435.44		
Moyer, Calvin L. & Urve V.				
050-07	73 Lakeshore Drive	3,966.40		
050-15	74 Lakeshore Drive	645.10		
Palmer, Darrel & Lois W.				
084-11	133 Main Street	3,490.67	3,605.06	
Pokravian, Krikor & Vartouhi				
065-11	3 Lakeshore Drive	782.06	789.87	
Pond, Evelyn B.				
085-19	12 Gould Road	2,400.86	2,413.55	
Poole, Charles F. & Patricia M.				
077-22	33 Elkins Road	1,459.90	1,474.78	
Ragonese, Nancy E.				
051-05	34 Lakeshore Drive	1,829.76	1,848.49	
Saxby, Daniel E.				
065-25	4 Sparrow Hawk Road	2,354.34	866.90	
Search, Patricia M.				
137-07	14 Stony Brook Road	3,144.16		

	1996	Levies of 1995	Previous
Snow, Paul S. & Susan M. 137-01 17 Stony Brook Road		4,722.33	
Todd Farm Assoc. Ltd. Partnership 130-06 40 King Hill Road		3,974.24	
130-06C King Hill Road		851.40	
130-06E King Hill Road		1,406.92	
130-06F King Hill Road		1,403.98	
130-06G King Hill Road		1,403.98	
130-06H King Hill Road		1,402.49	
TOTAL UNREDEEMED TAXES			
FROM TAX LIEN:	\$78,825.03	\$32,077.94	\$6,301.98

I hereby certify that the above list showing name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1997, on account of levies of 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. All taxes for years prior to 1993 have been paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
LOIS E. MARSHALL
Tax Collector

TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1997 \$ 758.84

Income:

Town Appropriation	\$195,534.00
Fund Balances	16,890.91
Fines	5,147.50
Lost/Damaged Materials	285.04
Gifts and Memorials	13,036.00
Non-Resident Fees	5,432.85
Copier	2,483.00
Payment/Books Purchased	1,163.25
Interest	163.42
Transfers from CD's	8,667.26

Total Income \$249,562.07

Expenditures:

Personnel	\$167,398.23
Books and Related Materials	33,863.07
Supplies	4,849.24
Maintenance	19,689.12
Equipment	5,763.30
Audit	950.00
Public Relations	915.23
Travel and Dues	636.75
Transfer to CD's	15,000.00

Total Expenses \$249,064.94

Cash on Hand December 31, 1997 \$ 497.13

Memorial, Capital and Gift Funds

Balance of Fund, January 1, 1997	\$ 80,252.06
Balance of Fund, December 31, 1997	91,333.51

REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON

COMMON FUNDS CEMETERY FUND

Number How of Shares Invested	Beginning Balance	PRINCIPAL Additions Purchases	Cash Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gain/Loss From Sales	Balance End	INCOME Balance Begin	Income During Yr	Expended During Yr	Balance End
NLT Savings #283524	2841.02	11217.8	0	19300	0	-5241.18	2669.41	67.31	0	6405.19
NH PDIP #183-0015	0	2760	0	1100	0	1660.00	8249.91	404.96	0	1262.05
10000 USTN 6 1/2 08/15/97	10209.38	0	0	10000	-209.38	0.00	0	650	0	0
10000 USTN 5 1/8 12/31/98	9403.13	0	0	0	0	9403.13	0	512.5	0	0
10000 USTN 6 1/2 04/30/99	10300	0	0	0	0	10300.00	0	650	0	0
10000 USTN 5 1/2 04/15/00	9631.25	0	0	0	0	9631.25	0	550	0	0
10000 USTN 8 05/15/01	10762.50	0	0	0	0	10762.5	0	800	0	0
10000 USTN 6 3/8 08/15/02	9900	0	0	0	0	9900.00	0	637.5	0	0
10000 USTN 6 1/4 02/15/03	9453.12	0	0	0	0	9453.12	0	625	0	0
20000 USTN 6 1/8 08/15/07	0	19882.2	0	0	0	19882.20	0	0	0	0
618.31 Vanguard Index Fnd	32734.01	0	298.68	10000	3617.69	26650.38	382.2	722.48	0	254.03
236.566 Janus Worldwide	0	8000	329.07	0	0	8329.07	0	306.72	0	306.72
TOTAL	105234.41	41860	627.75	40400	3408.31	110730.47	11301.52	5926.47	0	1,227.99

GENERAL ENDOWMENT FUND

NH PDIP #183-0014	34158.3	0	0	0	0	34158.30	857.72	1863.29	0	2721.01
TOTAL	34158.3	0	0	0	0	34158.30	857.72	1863.29	0	2721.01
COMMON FUND TOTAL	139392.71	41860	627.75	40400	3408.31	144888.77	12159.24	7789.76	0	19949

TRUST FUNDS

Purpose of Funds: To Support Library
Name of How
Fund Invested

JANE A TRACY FUND

Beginning Balance	New Fund Created	Gains or Losses	W/D	End Balance	Begin Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance	Market Value 12/31/1996	Market Value 12/31/1997
\$ 4,320.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 2,964.90	\$ 0.00	\$ 275.79	\$ 275.79	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,321	\$ 6,196
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	74.46	0.00	74.46	0.00	0	0
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,373.00	0.00	2.26	1,370.74	0	0
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	309.00	0.00	0.00	309.00	0	0
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,535.25	0.00	0.00	1,535.25	0	0
20,642.47	0.00	-642.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	850.00	850.00	0.00	20,225	0
19,431.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,431.25	0.00	1,025.00	1,025.00	0.00	19,875	19,988
20,843.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,843.75	0.00	1,775.00	1,775.00	0.00	21,162	20,681
19,262.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,262.50	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00	19,662	19,925
21,525.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,525.00	0.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00	21,381	21,381
20,481.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,481.25	0.00	1,275.00	1,275.00	0.00	20,138	20,519
24,570.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,570.32	0.00	1,562.50	1,562.50	0.00	24,977	25,570
24,745.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,745.31	0.00	1,812.50	1,812.50	0.00	26,328	26,984
20,706.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,706.25	0.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00	20,150	20,850
19,963.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,963.80	0.00	1,125.00	1,125.00	0.00	18,931	19,781
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34,793.85	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	35,973
38,179.99	0.00	5,015.36	0.00	23,195.34	0.00	327.66	327.66	0.00	40,826	31,854
38,628.41	0.00	1,125.17	0.00	39,753.58	0.00	793.01	793.01	0.00	43,345	56,798
37,174.85	0.00	1,532.54	0.00	38,707.39	0.00	1,428.47	1,428.47	0.00	35,741	41,622
330,475.96	0.00	7,030.60	0.00	330,944.49	3,291.71	16,249.93	16,326.65	3,214.99	337,062	368,123

TRACY FUND TOTAL

BROWN FUND

NH PDIP #0013	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,692.34	92.38	95.20	0.00	187.58		
BROWN FUND TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,692.34	92.38	95.20	0.00	187.58		

JELLY FUND

NH PDIP #0011	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.87	0.00	7.30	0.00	7.30		
JELLY FUND TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.87	0.00	7.30	0.00	7.30		

WHITCOMB FUND

NH PDIP #0012	0.00	0.00	68.30	39.09	1.91	3.71	0.00	5.62		
346,867 PURITAN FUND	0.00	369.66	0.00	4,816.39	0.00	260.80	260.80	0.00		
WHITCOMB FUND TOTAL	0.00	369.66	68.30	4,855.48	1.91	264.51	260.80	5.62		

CAPITAL RESERVES

Name of Fund How Invested	Beginning Balance	New Fund Created	Gains or Losses	W/D	End Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance
FIRE VEHICLE FUND CAPITAL RESERVE								
NH PDIP 183-3	\$120,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 91,305.00	\$ 58,695.00	\$ 7,540.42	\$ 0.00	\$17,807.49
TOTAL	120,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	91,305.00	58,695.00	7,540.42	0.00	17,807.49
POLICE DEPT SCHOLARSHIPLOCAL SCHOLARSHIP								
PASSBOOK	146.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NH PDIP #0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.32	6.21	0.00	6.21
TOTAL	146.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.32	6.21	0.00	6.21
KEZAR LAKE TREATMENTS CAPITAL RESERVE								
NH PDIP #183-0001	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	7,815.98	0.00	34,695.58
TOTAL	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	7,815.98	0.00	34,695.58
GEN'L CEMETERY, CEMETERY PROJECTS								
NH PDIP #183-0007	43,208.73	1,840.00	0.00	2,708.28	42,340.45	2,291.72	2,291.72	0.00
TOTAL	43,208.73	1,840.00	0.00	2,708.28	42,340.45	2,291.72	2,291.72	0.00
TOWN BUILDING CAPITAL RESERVE								
NH PDIP #183-0002	30,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	1,882.45	0.00	4,918.64
TOTAL	30,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	1,912.23	0.00	4,918.64
WASTE#20 TREATMENT EQUIP. CAPITAL RESERVE								
NH PDIP #183-0005	106,762.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	106,762.00	6,482.44	0.00	21,539.86
TOTAL	106,762.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	106,762.00	6,482.44	0.00	21,539.86
HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENTCAPITAL RESERVE								
NLT Savings #10021531	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.74	0.00	0.00
NH PDIP #183-0016	61,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	20,675.00	110,325.00	5,109.98	0.00	0.00
TOTAL	61,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	20,675.00	110,325.00	5,123.72	0.00	0.00
REVALUATION FUND CAPITAL RESERVE								
NH PDIP #183-0006	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	4,451.80	0.00	8,110.45
TOTAL	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	4,451.80	0.00	8,110.45
TRACY LIBRARY BLDG MAINT, SUPPORT LIBRARY								
NH PDIP #183-0009	16,416.02	0.00	0.00	914.61	15,501.41	871.13	1,694.69	0.00
TOTAL	16,416.02	0.00	0.00	914.61	15,501.41	871.13	1,694.69	0.00

Name of Fund How Invested	Beginning Balance	New Fund Created	Gains or Losses	W/D	End Balance	Begin Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance
CONSERVATION COMM'N LAND, ACQUIRE LAND									
NH PDIP #183-0010	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 8,500.00	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 2,5500.00	\$ 670.07	\$ 1,152.02	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,822.09
TOTAL	17,000.00	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	25500.00	670.07	1,152.02	0.00	1,822.09
DISPATCH RADIO CAPITAL RES, ACQUIRE RADIOS									
NLT Savings #283602	616.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.84	10.24	31.56	0.00	0.00
USTN 6% 8-97	9,983.30	0.00	16.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00
NH PDIP #183-0017	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,594.86	79.97	959.57	0.00	1,681.34
TOTAL	20,600.00	10,000.00	16.70	0.00	30,616.70	90.21	1,291.13	0.00	1,681.34
SIDEWALK CAPITAL RESERVE, SIDEWALKS									
NH PDIP #183-0018	5,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	39.97	890.83	0.00	930.80
TOTAL	5,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	39.97	890.83	0.00	930.80
TOWN GENERATOR CAPITAL RES, GENERATOR									
NH PDIP #183-0019	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	39.97	392.69	0.00	432.66
TOTAL	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	39.97	392.69	0.00	432.66

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Create Date	Name Of Fund Purpose Of Fund How Invested	Beginning Invested	New Fund Balance	Gains Or Created	W/D Losses	End Balance	Begin Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance	Market Value 12/31/1997
-1951	JANE A TRACY FUND SUPPORT LIBRARY										
	New London Trust Savings #283525	\$ 4,320.81	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 2,964.90	\$ 0.00	\$ 275.79	\$ 275.79	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,321
	US TREATS NOTE 5 1/8% 2-98	19,431.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,431.25	0.00	1,025.00	1,025.00	0.00	19,988
	US TREATS NOTE 8 7/8% 2-99	20,843.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,843.75	0.00	1,775.00	1,775.00	0.00	21,156
	US TREATS NOTE 5 1/2% 4-00	19,262.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,262.50	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00	0.00	19,662
	US TREATS NOTE 8% 5-01	21,525.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21,525.00	0.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	0.00	21,369
	US TREATS NOTE 6 3/8% 8-02	20,481.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,481.25	0.00	1,275.00	1,275.00	0.00	20,131
	US TREATS NOTE 6 1/4 % 2-03	24,570.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,570.32	0.00	1,562.50	1,562.50	0.00	24,977
	US TREATS NOTE 7 1/4% 5-04	24,745.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,745.31	0.00	1,812.50	1,812.50	0.00	26,984
	US TREATS NOTE 6 1/2% 5-05	20,706.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,706.25	0.00	1,300.00	1,300.00	0.00	20,144
	US TREATS NOTE 5 5/8% 2-06	19,963.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	19,963.80	0.00	1,125.00	1,125.00	0.00	18,925
	US TREATS NOTE 6 1/8% 08-07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
	Dreyfus S&P 500 Index Fund	38,179.99	0.00	5,015.36	0.00	23,195.34	0.00	327.66	327.66	0.00	40,826
	Fidelity Market Index Fund	38,628.41	0.00	1,125.17	0.00	39,753.58	0.00	793.01	793.01	0.00	43,345
	Janus Worldwide Fund	37,174.85	0.00	1,532.54	0.00	38,707.39	0.00	1,428.47	1,428.47	0.00	35,741
	TRACY FUND TOTAL	330,475.96	0.00	7,030.60	0.00	330,944.49	3,291.71	16,249.93	16,326.65	3,214.99	336,920
1913	SARAH & ELIZABETH BROWN FUND, SUPPORT LIBRARY										
	NH PDIP #0013	1,692.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,692.34	92.38	95.20	0.00	187.58	
	BROWN FUND TOTAL	1,692.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,692.34	92.38	95.20	0.00	187.58	
1945	ANN MARY JELLY FUND, SUPPORT LIBRARY										
	NH PDIP #0011	129.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.87	0.00	7.30	0.00	7.30	
	JELLY FUND TOTAL	129.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.87	0.00	7.30	0.00	7.30	
1962	KATHLEEN L WHITCOMB FUND, SUPPORT LIBRARY										
	NH PDIP #0012	107.39	0.00	0.00	68.30	39.09	1.91	3.71	0.00	5.62	
	346,867 PURITAN FUND	4,446.73	0.00	369.66	0.00	4,816.39	0.00	260.80	260.80	0.00	
	WHITCOMB FUND TOTAL	4,554.12	0.00	369.66	68.30	4,855.48	1.91	264.51	260.80	5.62	

Create Date	Name Of Fund Purpose Of Fund How Invested	Beginning Invested	New Fund Balance	Gains Or Created	W/D Losses	End Balance	Begin Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance	Market Value 12/31/1996	12/31/1997
1992	FIRE VEHICLE FUND, CAPITAL RESERVE											
	NH PDIP 183-3	\$120,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$73,497.51	\$ 76,502.49	\$10,267.07	\$ 7,540.42	\$17,807.49	\$ -0.00		
	FIRE VEHICLE FUND TOTAL	120,000.00	30,000.00	0.00	73,497.51	76,502.49	10,267.07	7,540.42	17,807.49	-0.00		
1986	POLICE DEPARTMENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND											
	LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP											
	MONEY MARKET PASSBOOK	146.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	NH PDIP #0020	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.32	0.00	6.21	0.00	6.21		
	SCHOLARSHIP FUND TOTAL	146.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.32	0.00	6.21	0.00	6.21		
1990	KEZAR LAKE TREATMENTS FUND, CAPITAL RESERVE											
	NH PDIP #183-0001	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	26,879.60	7,815.98	0.00	34,695.58		
	KEZAR LAKE TREATMENTS											
	FUND TOTAL	120,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	120,000.00	26,879.60	7,815.98	0.00	34,695.58		
1983	GEN'L CEMETERY MAINT FUND, CEMETERY PROJECTS											
	NH PDIP #183-0007	43,208.73	1,840.00	0.00	2,708.28	42,340.45	0.00	2,291.72	2,291.72	0.00		
	CEMETERY MAINT FUND TOTAL	43,208.73	1,840.00	0.00	2,708.28	42,340.45	0.00	2,291.72	2,291.72	0.00		
1992	TOWN MASTER PLAN FUND, CAPITAL RESERVE											
	NH PDIP #183-0004	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
	TOWN MASTER PLAN FUND TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
1992	TOWN BUILDING FUND, CAPITAL RESERVE											
	NH PDIP #183-0002	30,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	3,036.19	1,882.45	0.00	4,918.64		
	TOWN BUILDING FUND TOTAL	30,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	35,000.00	3,036.19	1,912.23	0.00	4,918.64		
	PAGE TOTAL	\$650,207.34	\$36,840.00	\$7,400.26	\$76,274.09	\$611,611.44	\$43,568.86	\$36,183.50	\$36,686.66	\$43,035.92		

Create Date	Name Of Fund Purpose Of Fund How Invested	Beginning Invested	New Fund Balance	Gains Or Created	W/D Losses	End Balance	Begin Balance	Income Over Yr	Expended Over Yr	End Balance	Market Value 12/31/1996	Market Value 12/31/1997
1993	WASTE H20 TREATMENT EQUIPMENT ART. #24, CAPITAL RESERVE NH PDIP #183-0005	\$106,762.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 106,762.00	\$15,057.42	\$ 6,482.44	\$ 0.00	\$21,539.86		
	WASTE WATER FUND TOTAL	106,762.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	106,762.00	15,057.42	6,482.44	0.00	21,539.86		
1993	HIGHWAY HEAVY EQUIPMENT, CAPITAL RESERVE New London Trust Savings #10021531	0.00	0.00	- 0.00	0.00	0.00	2,785.91	13.74	0.00	0.00		
	NH PDIP #183-0016	61,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	12,277.51	118,722.49	487.86	5,109.98	8,397.49	0.00		
	HIGHWAY EQUIP. FUND TOTAL	61,000.00	70,000.00	0.00	12,277.51	118,722.49	3,273.77	5,123.72	8,397.49	0.00		
1993	REVALUATION FUND, CAPITAL RESERVE NH PDIP #183-0006	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	3,658.65	4,451.80	0.00	8,110.45		
	REVALUATION FUND TOTAL	80,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	3,658.65	4,451.80	0.00	8,110.45		
1993	TRACY LIBRARY BUILDING MAINT FUND SUPPORT LIBRARY	16,416.02	0.00	0.00	914.61	15,501.41	823.56	871.13	1,694.69	0.00		
	NH PDIP #183-0009	16,416.02	0.00	0.00	914.61	15,501.41	823.56	871.13	1,694.69	0.00		
	TRACY LIBRARY BUILDING FUND TOTAL	16,416.02	0.00	0.00	914.61	15,501.41	823.56	871.13	1,694.69	0.00		
1995	CONSERVATION COMMN LAND CAP RES, ACQUIRE LAND NH PDIP #183-0010	17,000.00	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	25,500.00	670.07	1,152.02	0.00	1,822.09		
	CONS COMM LAND CAP RES TOTAL	1,7000.00	8,500.00	0.00	0.00	25,500.00	670.07	1,152.02	0.00	1,822.09		
1995	DISPATCH RADIO CAPITAL RES, ACQUIRE RADIOS New London Trust Savings #283602	616.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.84	10.24	31.56	0.00	0.00		
	USTN 6% 8-97	9,983.30	0.00	16.70	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00		
	NH PDIP #183-0017	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,594.86	79.97	959.57	0.00	1,681.34		
	DISPATCH RADIO CAP RES FUND TOTAL	20,600.00	10,000.00	16.70	0.00	30,616.70	90.21	1,291.13	0.00	1,681.34		
1996	SIDEWALK CAPITAL RESERVE, SIDEWALKS NH PDIP #183-0018	5,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	39.97	890.83	0.00	930.80		
	SIDEWALK CAPITAL RES. TOTAL	5,000.00	25,000.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00	39.97	890.83	0.00	930.80		
1996	TOWN GENERATOR CAPITAL RES, GENERATOR NH PDIP #183-0019	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	39.97	392.69	0.00	432.66		
	TOWN GENERATOR CAPITAL RES TOTAL	5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	39.97	392.69	0.00	432.66		
	PAGE TOTAL	\$311,778.02	\$118,500.00	\$ 16.70	\$13,192.12	\$ 417,102.60	\$23,653.62	\$20,655.76	\$10,092.18	\$34,517.20		
	REPORT TOTAL	\$961,985.36	\$155,340.00	\$7,416.96	\$89,466.21	\$1,028,714.04	\$67,222.48	\$56,839.26	\$46,778.84	\$77,553.12		

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT
TOWN OF NEW LONDON
(Bonded Debt of the School is not included)

Maturities	Sewer Construct. July 1, 1979 Original Amt. \$1,399,450	Interest Rate	Tracy Library & Goose Hole Sewer July 15, 1990 Original Amt. \$799,230	Interest Rate	Sewer Construct. July 9, 1993 Original Amt. \$345,000	Interest Rate
1998	70,000	5.75	55,000	6.90	25,000	5.20
1999	70,000	5.80	55,000	6.90	25,000	5.20
2000			55,000	6.90	25,000	5.20
2001			50,000	6.90	25,000	4.80
2002			50,000	6.90	25,000	5.00
2003			50,000	6.90	20,000	5.10
2004			50,000	7.00	20,000	5.25
2005			50,000	7.00	20,000	5.40
2006					20,000	5.40
2007					20,000	5.50
2008					20,000	5.60
	<u>\$140,000</u>		<u>\$415,000</u>		<u>\$245,000</u>	

TOWN OF NEW LONDON
LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Comparative Balance Sheet
December 31, 1997 and December 31, 1996

Amount to be provided for
Retirement of Long Term Debt

	1997	1996
Due from General Fund		
Town's Share	\$451,203.00	\$ 524,304.00
Due from Sewer Commission	245,000.00	270,000.00
Due from N.H. Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission	<u>103,797.00</u>	<u>155,696.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$800,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 950,000.00</u>
Long Term Debt Outstanding		
Sewer Construction Bonds - 1979	\$140,000.00	\$210,000.00
Tracy Library & G H Sewer - 1990	415,000.00	470,000.00
Sewer Construction Bonds - 1993	<u>245,000.00</u>	<u>270,000.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$800,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,750,000.00</u>

TOWN OF NEW LONDON COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1996
(AUDITED)

ASSETS	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES				FIDUCIARY FUNDS		ACCOUNT GROUP		TOTALS	
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Trust and Agency Funds	General Long-Term Debt	General Long-Term Debt	Memo Only		Memo Only	
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 314,125	\$ 316,081	\$ 34,670	\$ 67,374						732,250
Investments	1,940,264	128,617		1,164,076						3,232,957
Accounts Receivable	1,619	20,795		88,672						111,086
Taxes Receivable	440,558									440,558
Special Assessments	46,106	358,641								404,747
Other Receivables										
Prepaid Items	6,038									6,038
Amount to be provided for general long-term debt and other obligations										
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 2,748,710	\$ 824,134	\$ 34,670	\$ 1,320,122	\$ 1,356,056	\$ 1,356,056				1,356,056
LIABILITIES	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Trust and Agency Funds	General Long-Term Debt	General Long-Term Debt				Memo Only
Accounts Payable	\$ 4,930									4,930
Intergovernmental Payable										
Due to School District	1,942,509			146						1,942,509
Escrow & Performance Deposits				34,829						34,829
Deferred Revenues	101,909	358,100								450,009
Deferred Compensation Payable										
General Obligation Debt Payable										
Accrued Landfill Closure & Postclosure Costs										
Special Assessment Debt with Government Commitment										
Capital Lease Payable										
Compensated Absences Payable										
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 2,049,348	\$ 358,100	\$ 123,647	\$ 4,868	\$ 1,356,056	\$ 1,356,056				3,887,151
FUND EQUITY										
FUND BALANCE - RESERVED										
Endowments				\$ 536,088						536,088
Encumbrances	45,213									45,213
Special Purposes			34,670	660,387						695,057
FUND BALANCE-UNRESERVED										
Designated		466,034								466,034
Undesignated	654,149									654,149
TOTAL FUND EQUITY	\$ 699,362	\$ 466,034	\$ 34,670	\$ 1,196,475	\$ 1,356,056	\$ 1,356,056				2,396,541
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	\$ 2,748,710	\$ 824,134	\$ 34,670	\$ 1,320,122	\$ 1,356,056	\$ 1,356,056				6,283,692

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of New London
New London, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the Town of New London as of and for the year ended December 31, 1996. These general-purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general-purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general-purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general-purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general-purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general-purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of New London has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general-purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of New London, as of December 31, 1996, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general-purpose financial statements of the Town of New London. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general-purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general-purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

April 16, 1997

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of New London
New London, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying summary statements of activity arising from cash transactions for the period January 1, 1997 through July 15, 1997. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town Treasurer. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, this financial statement was prepared on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the receipts collected and the disbursements made during the period then ended, on the basis of accounting described in Note 1, below.

November 25, 1997

NOTE 1 - BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts of the Treasurer are maintained and reported on a cash basis. Under the cash basis method of accounting, revenues are recognized when received rather than when earned, and expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. This is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION 1998 TAX RATE ANALYSIS

Land (all)	\$191,989,720
Residential Buildings	263,763,502
Public Utilities	3,662,935
Commercial Buildings	<u>23,992,400</u>
Valuation before exemptions:	483,408,557

Less exemptions:	
Elderly Exemptions	75,000
Physically Handicapped	162,200
Solar Exemptions	74,926
School Exemption	<u>650,000</u>
Less total exemptions:	<u>-962,126</u>
NET VALUATION FOR TAX RATE	\$482,446,431

TAX COMMITMENT ANALYSIS

Property taxes assessed	\$6,913,457	\$6,995,489	Tax commitment to collector
Less: Veterans exemptions	-37,300	-12,868	Less: Abatements
Plus: Water Precinct Taxes	<u>106,463</u>	<u>-1,00</u>	Less: Computer rounding
	\$6,982,620	\$6,982,620	

PROOF OF TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Formula: \$\$\$ to be raised by taxes divided by net valuation = TAX RATE

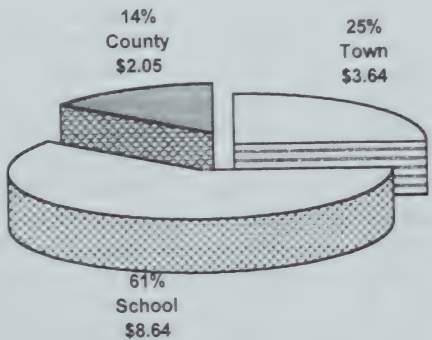
$$\$6,913,457 / \$482,446,431 = \$14.33 \text{ (1997 tax rate)}$$

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

	1997	1996	1995
Town	3.64	3.64	3.56
School	8.64	8.00	8.22
County	2.05	2.01	2.02
Tax Rate*	\$14.33	\$13.65	\$13.80
Water Pct.	0.53	0.17	0.00
Tax Rate**	14.86	13.82	13.80

*not in water precinct

**in water precinct



SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Map/Lot No.	Acres	Description	Value
012-01	33 Ac.	Colby Sanctuary/Conservation Land	\$162,900
016-01	4.5 Ac.	Conservation Land Off I-89	13,500
016-02	4.20 Ac.	Conservation Land Off I-89	48,200
028-02	1.13 Ac.	Spaulding Right of Way	100
029-02	.62 Ac.	Conservation Land Off Goosehole Rd.	22,700
029-04	70.9 Ac.	Phillips Memorial Preserve	304,800
030-22	.08 Ac.	Land, Little Sunapee Road	3,400
033-11	.88 Ac.	Bucklin Beach Land & Bldgs.	292,800
033-19	6.7 Ac.	Stump Dump	67,500
033-22	1.70 Ac.	Land, Little Sunapee Road	43,600
042-19	.31 Ac.	Land, Otterville Road	35,400
050-18	.50 Ac.	Island, Pleasant Lake	37,100
056-01	4.80 Ac.	Recycling & Disposal, Land & Bldgs.	331,700
058-05A	36 Ac.	Philbrick/Cricenti Bog	187,800
072-40	1.44 Ac.	Conservation Land/Lakeside Road	30,000
074-37	.60 Ac.	Conservation Land, Pleasant Street	37,600
077-08	1.50 Ac.	Elkins Beach, Bathhouses, Post Office	393,400
077-10	.35 Ac.	Pleasant Lake Access	84,000
077-12	1 Ac.	Pleasant Lake Dam, Land & Bldgs.	230,300
077-23B	.42 Ac.	Tannery Pond, Elkins Rd.	41,000
078-05	.96 Ac.	Scytheville Park Ext., Elkins Rd.	12,600
078-05A	.05 Ac.	Scytheville Park Dam, Elkins Rd.	6,100
078-05B	.09 Ac.	Scytheville Park	7,000
078-05C	.95 Ac.	Scythe Shop Pond, Elkins Rd.	10,000
083-09	14.7 Ac.	Conservation Land Off Lakeside Road	77,800
084-14	1 Ac.	Little Common, Main Street	140,300
084-52	1 Ac.	Library, Land & Bldgs.	1,006,000
084-64	.27 Ac.	Fire Dept. Land & Bldgs.	399,200
085-13	3.80 Ac.	Sargent Common, Main St. (incl. bandstand)	371,300
085-14	.39 Ac.	Town Hall	608,500
085-38	.29 Ac.	Town Hall - Offices	175,900
087-05	.03 Ac.	Cemetery Well, Elkins Rd.	17,100
088-01	98.88 Ac.	Land, Rte. 11 - Low Plain, Cons. Land	289,800
088-05	6 Ac.	Elkins Cemetery, Elkins Rd.	271,200
089-01	30.60 Ac.	Land Off Laurel Lane	167,400
089-06	.37 Ac.	Right of Way to 089-01	11,200
091-36	4.05 Ac.	Land, Columbus Ave.	44,500
093-06	30 Ac.	Conservation Land, County Road	122,900
095-05	3.70 Ac.	Cemetery Land, Bog Road	53,600
095-21	2 Ac.	Highway Dept., Land & Bldgs.	70,200
095-22	11.40 Ac.	Sewer Plant	727,800
095-20	5.80 Ac.	Highway Dept., Land & Bldgs.	270,000
096-21	37 Ac.	Backland Off Burpee Lane - Sewer Lagoons	92,500
099-16	11.50 Ac.	Conservation, Low Plain	61,600
099-17	10.10 Ac.	Conservation, Low Plain	57,700
100-03	33 Ac.	Conservation Land, Mountain Rd., Low Plain	169,800

101-02	6.40 Ac.	Mountain Road - Landfill Closure	47,900
101-03	13.90 Ac.	Mountain Road - Landfill Closure	97,700
101-04	8.50 Ac.	Mountain Road - Landfill Closure	83,600
101-06	2 Ac.	Mountain Road, Land & Bldgs.	45,100
101-08	14.70 Ac.	Landfill, Mountain Road	93,000
101-09	2.30 Ac.	Land, Mountain Road	5,800
105-23	.05 Ac.	Island, Messer Pond	100
107-04	4.20 Ac.	Cemetery, Old Main St.	56,100
112-02	53.3 Ac.	Cons. Land, Mtn Rd-Low Plain, Shepard Spring & Highway Department	244,049
112-06	13 Ac.	Conservation Land, Wilder Lane-Low Plain	87,400
117-12A	1.70 Ac.	Cemetery, County Road	43,600
120-05	19.5 Ac.	Land, I-89	44,573
126-12	.07 Ac.	Off Soo-Nipi Park, Right-of-Way to Lake	3,200
TOTAL			\$8,461,922

NEW LONDON CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

Substantial time continues to be required to monitor shoreland to ensure conformance to the Town's ordinance and the State Wetlands regulation. In one instance, trees that were cut in the 50 foot no-cut zone without Planning Board approval were required to be replaced. In order to ensure that any construction on lakeshore properties will conform with regulations, building permits are now sent to the Commission for review. Extensive discussions, with input from the Messer Pond Protective Association, have taken place with the Planning Board and the developer of a new sub-division on the shore of Messer Pond. This has led to a far-reaching agreement on an enforceable limitation of land clearance to protect the environment.

Throughout the year, the Commission has continued to participate actively in the Planning Board meetings on the updated Master Plan for the Town.

The Commission organized a series of nature walks in the winter, spring and summer. Each had a particular theme such as animal tracks, wildflowers or birds. Also, under a Kearsarge Regional High School Program, a student, Tanya Tatro, undertook a study of vernal pools. The Commission has also agreed to continue its "perambulation" of Town boundaries for the Selectmen and also contributes to monitoring conservation easements.

The transfer of two properties to the Town has been completed. The gift of these tracts for conservation purposes is acknowledged with thanks. Mimi West and family donated a 4.5 acre tract on Columbus Avenue that includes a substantial area of wetland. By suitable control of water level in this area, it will be possible to filter some of the pollution originating from I-89 and running into Herrick Cove on Lake Sunapee. The other tract is located adjacent to I-89 alongside the wetland between Messer Pond and Clark Pond. Protection of this area is part of the overall plan to limit the effect of development in the Lyon Brook/Kezar Lake watershed. This gift was made by the family of Anita Lochhead in the name of her parents, Agatha DesBarres and the late G. Mortimer DesBarres.

Regular sampling of Lyon Brook and participation in monitoring of Kezar Lake has continued to show that there is no detrimental runoff from New London.

In preparation for the reprinting in 1998 of the New London Footpaths Map, data on the trails were put into the Town mapping computer data base with the help of the Upper Valley Regional Planning Commission. It will be possible to obtain a computer printout of the map, and future revisions will be facilitated.

The Commission again wishes to thank the many volunteers who continue to work on the trail system. We are always looking for additional help to maintain these trails that are being used by ever-increasing numbers of both local people and visitors. The continuing assistance on many aspects of the Commission's work from Debbie Stanley and the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust is much appreciated.

With regret the Commission has accepted the resignation of Fred Sladen who has contributed greatly to its activities during four years.

Respectfully submitted,
TERENCE E. DANCY
Chairman

NEW LONDON DISPATCH CENTER

The New London Dispatch Center this past year was able to update its communication equipment with a new Orbacom radio system. This new system is state of art computer technology. It is much more reliable and user friendly than the old system. One new feature the system offers is a 17" colored computer monitor that works by the dispatcher just touching the screen. The monitor is what the dispatcher uses for relaying and receiving information to and from field units. Along with the new radio equipment we also updated our dispatch console. The console is the desk unit that houses all radios and computers the dispatcher uses. This new console is a much more professional looking and organized area for the dispatcher. The console also complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The Dispatchers are very proud of our new system and invite everyone to come view the Dispatch Center at any time.

The staff of the Dispatch Center would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the past year. It is greatly appreciated.

	1997	1996
Total Phone Calls	43,745	60,422
Dispatched Ambulance to New London	395	348
Dispatched Ambulance to other towns	293	352
Dispatched New London Fire Department	99	74
Burn Permits Issued	149	148
Aid to Public	174	168
Animals Lost/Stray	84	64
Road Hazard Complaints	81	79
Lost and Found Items	99	104
Request for House Check	225	203
Alarm Tests	19	11
Alarm Problems	6	3
Alarms Requesting Police Response	457	463

Respectfully submitted,
BEN CUSHING
Dispatch Supervisor

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

This Emergency Management Committee is charged with the responsibility of being prepared to react to any type of emergency situation, natural or man-made, which would require the utilization of most or all of the community's resources, and has the potential for necessitating a request for additional assistance from State and/or Federal sources.

The Committee, under the guidance of the New Hampshire Office of Emergency Management, has reviewed, revised, and reissued an Emergency Management Plan for the Town of New London.

Several Committee members have attended training workshops on such subjects as: Hazardous Materials; Water Search and Rescue Operations; and Emergency Response to Terrorism.

A simulated disaster drill involving the Pleasant Lake Dam was conducted in August to comply with the State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental - Water Resources Board. This has to be done at least once a year.

The electrical difficulties with the siren at the fire station have been corrected. The two portable generators belonging to the Town have been serviced, with one of the units still undergoing extensive repairs.

Each Committee member has a distinctive orange windbreaker stenciled EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT and a clip-on identification tag.

If you have questions, comments, and/or suggestions regarding the work of your Emergency Management Committee, please call the Director or any of the Committee members.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT M. NELSON
Director

NEW LONDON FIRE DEPARTMENT

The New London Fire Department completed two capital improvement projects in 1997. The first was the purchase of a Freightliner tanker, model FL80, with a 168-inch wheelbase and a manual six-speed transmission. Valley Fire Equipment of Bradford, NH is manufacturing a 1,600-gallon tank and a corrosion resistant body to complete the tanker. A roll out tray will be provided for the mounting of our 500-gallon per minute portable pump. This new truck will be as easy to maneuver as our old tanker, but will be able to transport more water. We expect to take delivery of the complete tanker near the end of March, 1998.

The second project we completed was replacing the furnace at the fire station. The old unit was twenty years old and had a cracked heat exchanger which was allowing carbon monoxide to be released into the building. The new furnace is a forced hot air, oil fired unit. Use of the underground storage tanks was discontinued and above ground tanks were installed.

During 1997, the Fire Department personnel conducted 33 extra duty incidents and 14 training drills.

The New London Fire Department has meetings on the second Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Anyone interested in joining is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER PARTRIDGE
New London Fire Chief

NEW LONDON FIRE DEPARTMENT 1997 RESPONSES

Times Called Out

18
56
64
117

Equipment

K-1, Tanker
L-2, Ladder/Pumper
M-1, Pumper
E-1, Emergency/Equip. Van

Number of Incidents

1
2
2
2
2
2
3
3
4
5
5
5
6
6
9
11
27
30
45

Type of Incident

Brush Fire
Structure Fire
Rescue
Hazardous Material Spill
False Alarm
Other
Extrication
Mutual Aid Other Than Structure
Electrical Fire
Vehicle Fire
Furnace Malfunction
Wire Down
Smoke Report
Mutual Aid Structure
Other
Chimney Fire
DHART Transfer
Vehicle Accident
Alarm Response

TOTAL: 170

HEALTH OFFICER

Environmental health continues to be the New London Health Officer's primary area of concern and consumes the greatest amount of time. The most difficult aspect of the health officer's duties is the enforcement of septic regulations, particularly in those circumstances when citizens will not or cannot for whatever reason, replace their failed septic system without undue delay. Failed septic systems usually cause sewage effluent to run onto the surface of the ground where it can be a health hazard for people and an environmental hazard, especially to water bodies, as well as an aesthetic problem for all concerned. In New London the replacement of failed septic systems is not permitted unless plans exist for the failed system which will essentially satisfy present day design criteria. This policy has been lauded by the Department of Environmental Services as it prevents the installation of poorly designed or otherwise inadequate systems without any protective oversight by either state or town authority. Failed septic systems are usually reported by concerned or affected citizens and although it may sometimes appear that no remedial action is taking place, be assured that we are doing our best to enforce replacement. While owners are in the process of planning and financing a new system, the septic tank must be regularly pumped so as to prevent septic effluent from running out onto the ground.

A properly designed, properly installed and properly cared for septic system should provide twenty to forty years of service without failure. However, a system which is overused for its size can be subject to premature failure. Home septic systems are designed to process 150 gallons of waste water per bedroom per day based on one or two persons per bedroom. If there are many more persons using the facilities and/or if each person uses an excessive amount of water (teenage showers for example), a system may fail prematurely. Poor maintenance can also cause early failure of a septic system. Septic tanks should be pumped out at least once every three years to preclude particulate matter from flowing out of the tank into the drainage field. In 1997, in New London, there were 8 septic systems in a state of failure. In addition, another 8 systems were replaced because of increased use or fear of failure of an older system. If you have questions about your septic system, please feel free to call the Health Officer.

Although the height of the raccoon rabies epidemic has passed to the north (there was only one probably rabid raccoon delivered to Pleasant Lake Veterinary Hospital for incineration in 1997), we should still be wary of atypically acting raccoons. In addition, the fox rabies epidemic has now progressed this far south and we should be extra careful of encounters with sick, aggressive or unusual acting foxes. Recently I had a report of a fox attacking a dog and its master in Gilford. The dog was given a rabies booster shot and the man is undergoing rabies immunization treatment. All such encounters should be evaluated by a physician and, in the case of animals, by a veterinarian. By law, all dogs and cats must be immunized against rabies both for their own and human protection.

Smoking continues to be the single largest cause of cancer and cardiovascular disease and is therefore one of our major public health problems. The magnitude of this problem, its cost in lives and dollars, mandates that we all act to reduce the problem in whatever ways we can. Especially vulnerable are our young people, particularly those of middle-school age. We should all support legislation to discourage smoking among all age groups.

Since the new water system was put on line in May of 1996, it has been gratifying to see and taste the greatly improved quality of our public water supply and from a public health

viewpoint it is nice to know that we no longer worry about being sickened by giardiasis from our public water supply.

With the exception of radon, which continues to be ignored by most of our populace, there have been no additional public health problems in New London during 1997.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD F. BENT, Ph.D.
Health Officer

WELFARE REPORT

I assumed the position of New London Town Welfare Officer in April, 1997. Since that time I have reviewed our case load and begun a review of the Town's welfare regulations and policies. My goal for 1998 is to update our regulations and policies to reflect the new Federal and State requirements.

Respectfully submitted,
MARC A. CLEMENT
Welfare Director

HISTORY AND ARCHIVES

I want you all to know that you are welcome in the archives any Wednesday morning to drop off things, ask questions, or to just stop and visit.

In October, a group of thirty-two people attended a late afternoon Open House in the Archives to celebrate Family History Month. Items were on display and we answered questions. Above all, it let people be aware of the things to be saved for future research and to see the many types of items the Archives contains which may be seen and used for research today.

Additions to the Archives were gratefully received. The following are a few: a number of notebooks containing King Ridge minutes, six different NH Town Histories, 1996 KRES photo album of class pictures, miscellaneous photographs and to add to the local cookbook collection: "COA Cooks," "Favorite Family Recipes" from Stepping Stones School and "New London Cooks." The records of the once active NL Hospital Summer Residents organization have also been placed in the Archives.

Nancy Lord Daniels (now living in Maine and is the granddaughter of Myra Lord, compiler of the History of New London, NH) is in the process of indexing this book. This index will be of use to all researchers of New London information. A thank you goes to Arrollyn Vernon for her contact with Nancy and also to Nancy for her willingness to undertake the project.

1997 found more people using the photograph collection than in previous years.

The interviews and transcribing of the tapes are continuing. The six Roundtable Discussions were taped and transcribed by Arrollyn Vernon - no easy job. Barbara Stearns, a faithful Archive staff member, gave a short lecture on Oral History at the "Books Sandwiched In" program in October. Hope Howard, another faithful staff member, continues to do deed research. She has been of help to many people.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET MORELAND
Town Archivist

THE FAMILY REGISTER

In 1996, computer work, determining ten year legal residents eligible for inclusion in the new Town History's Family Register was completed. Also, addresses were checked and preparation for the mailing of the questionnaires was started.

The stuffing of envelopes with a cover letter and questionnaire(s) was completed in April 1997 and approximately 975 pieces were mailed. Many envelopes contained more than one questionnaire, making a total of 1800 to 2000 questionnaires sent. More were sent as the constant updating yielded additional eligible residents. If you have misplaced your questionnaire, a new one may be obtained from the Archives at the Town Hall.

Obituaries are being used for information in updating the biographies in "Mirror to America" and for completing the questionnaire of deceased eligible residents.

The eligible residents who do NOT return filled out questionnaires will be listed in The Family Register by name followed by n.f.d. (no further data).

A great deal of time has been spent working on a model form to follow for composing all biographies in the same format.

Doris Cutter, Betty and Lindsay Collins, Sue Little and I have been those involved in the above. If you have questions concerning the questionnaire, please contact us at the Archives.

PLEASE. PLEASE. PLEASE finish filling out your questionnaires and send or bring them to the Archives at the Town Hall. All questionnaires sent to ten (or more) year legal residents must be in our hands before DECEMBER, 1998. However, we would like to have them as soon as possible so the biographies may be composed, typed and ready for the publisher on time. The composing and typing of the biographies are a time consuming job, therefore, we hope you will comply with our request.

Margaret Moreland

NEW LONDON HISTORY SUB-COMMITTEE

The purpose of the New London History Sub-Committee is to see that a history of the Town of New London from 1950 to 1999 is published in the year 2000. To that end we have met monthly and have chosen an author, Ann Page Stecker, Professor of English at Colby-Sawyer College and a publisher, Peter Randall, of Portsmouth, NH.

In addition, the committee held a series of six round table discussions, each with a different group of panelists and each encouraging public participation. The topics were "Businesses Then and Now," "Social and Economic Changes," "Impact of Interstate 89," "Land Use Development," "Characters and Tales," and "History of Elkins." An average of fifty people attended each session.

Various researchers have been working on different topics but we encourage all citizens of the Town to share their memories, photos (all will be copied and returned) or other memorabilia that might shed light on New London's history since 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
HILARY P. CLEVELAND
Chairman

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT (SAFETY) COMMITTEE

In 1997, the Joint Loss Management Committee (JLMC) completed its third year of service to the Town. In the first 2 years, the committee set itself up as a functioning unit and completed a safety manual for town employees. During the past year, the Committee established an operating routine and fell into synch with its counterparts on the State level.

Throughout 1997, the JLMC conducted on-site inspections of all Town public buildings (including the New London/Springfield Water Precinct). We also reviewed all accident and injury reports and made any recommendations that were warranted. We were delighted to find there were very few incidents.

The JLMC also organized one safety equipment demonstration, did one investigation into an "unhealthy air" situation and sent a representative to the JLMC seminar conducted by the Compensation Funds of NH in Concord.

In 1998, with the appointment of many new members, the Committee hopes to continue its regular duties in addition to departmental training and raising the credibility of the Committee in town affairs.

In closing, the JLMC would like to praise New London's employees on their remarkable safety record in 1997. Also, we would like to remind everyone that if you have a safety concern of any kind, please contact one of the JLMC members.

Respectfully submitted,
RAYMOND HEATH, Chairman
Amy Rankins, Administration
Bob Harrington, Highway
Mark Jerome, Highway
Doug Gay, Sewer Commission
Ben Cushing, Dispatch
Ed Kinzer, Police
Dave Seastrand, Police

PLANNING BOARD

1997 has been another busy year for the New London Planning Board. The Planning Board has conducted almost monthly work sessions in the continuing process of updating the Town's Master Plan in addition to keeping up with our normal current planning caseload.

In 1997, the Planning Board conducted twenty-one public business meetings during which we reviewed numerous conceptual and preliminary plans for subdivisions and site plans along with granting final approval for the following types of applications:

- Two Minor Subdivisions consisting of four lots;
- Twelve Annexations;
- One Site Plan Review for a Home Business;
- Five Site Plan Reviews for Home Occupations; and
- One Site Plan Review for each of the following uses: a convalescent home, an office expansion, a car wash, an expansion of an auto repair business, an office, athletic fields, and a church expansion.

In addition to this current planning activity, the Planning Board continued the process of updating the Town's Master Plan last revised and updated in 1987. The Planning Board conducted eight work sessions on the Master Plan update in 1997. The Master Plan is important because it functions as the "guiding light" for the future development of the community and provides the foundation for the Town's zoning ordinance and other land use regulations. The Planning Board anticipates the draft of the Master Plan update to be completed early in 1998 and plans to conduct at least one public hearing on the draft Master Plan update in the Spring. The Planning Board would welcome your participation and input at the public hearing.

Additionally, the Planning Board approved the annual update of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) covering the next ten years. In developing the CIP this year, the Planning Board met directly with Department Heads and Chairs of Commissions to discuss and better understand their capital requests. The Planning Board would like to thank those people for their time and thoughtful input about the community's future capital improvement needs.

Respectfully submitted,
LAURIE T. DICLERICO
Chairman

POLICE DEPARTMENT

This year the New London Police Department was awarded the COPS Fast Federal Grant. This grant allowed the department to hire one additional full-time officer and one additional part-time officer.

As of December 31st, a full-time officer has not been selected. We have hired Edward Anderson as a part-time officer. Officer Anderson has worked the past few years in area towns as a part-time officer. Ed's major role in the department will be enforcing all motor vehicle laws relating to dangerous intersections and pedestrian crossings. His secondary role will consist of responding to the requests of the citizens and to augment the police force when needed.

The members of the New London Police Department would like to thank you for your support again this year, and we look forward to working with you in 1998.

The year-end statistics have been compiled for 1997 to compare with those of 1996 for your review.

Respectfully submitted,
DAVID J. SEASTRAND
Police Chief

NEW LONDON POLICE DEPARTMENT

CALLS FOR SERVICE	1997	1996
Responded to Burglar Alarms	457	463
Assisted New London Fire Department	89	74
Money escorts	96	92
Missing Person Reports	14	19
Domestic Complaints	17	23
Complaints on Vehicles	189	222
Suspicious Persons	123	101
Aid New London Ambulance	341	324
Suspicious Vehicles	72	95
Animal Complaints	115	129
Traffic Assists	98	107
Paperwork Relays	7	4
Vehicle Lock-Outs	81	70
Noise Complaints	27	32
Property Checks	225	203
Road Hazard Complaints	81	79
Harassing Phone Call Complaints	32	62
Assist Other Departments	289	229
Open Door	64	244
Motorist Assists	291	314
Assist Citizen	174	168
Property/Business Checks	13,425	12,965

CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

Assaults	4	3
Burglaries	4	6
Criminal Mischief Complaints	20	19
Theft	37	50
Criminal Threatening	6	3
Bad Check Cases	4	2
Possession of Drugs	15	8
Arson	0	0
Unlawful Possession of Alcohol	4	15
Harassment	10	11
Criminal Trespass	1	4
Sexual Assaults	0	1
Motor Vehicle Thefts	2	2
Shoplifting	1	2
Recovered Property	2	3
Total Arrests	114	107
Total Lock-Ups	48	56
Juvenile Cases	16	15
Juvenile Protective Custody	51	56

MOTOR VEHICLE ACTIVITY

Summonses	422	382
Warnings	1140	1314
Accident Reports	98	97
Accidents with Injury	25	23
Fatal Accidents	0	4
Non-reportable Accidents	53	65
Assist Other Agency with Accidents	12	29
DWI Arrests	16	33
Parking Tickets	118	130
Defective Equipment Tags Issued	109	233
Criminal Cases	139	129

RECREATION COMMISSION

The interaction of the Recreation Commission with the community was expanded in 1997. The Waterfront Program has been our main responsibility in past years, and in 1997, it became one of many. We added a new face and a new facade. A Recreation Director is now in place to keep our minds and bodies active, and a new playground is at Elkins Beach to keep the child in all of us alive and swinging.

The initiative for a Recreation Director position was started several years ago. In 1997 the campaign was brought to fruition. At Town Meeting the funding of a half-time Recreation Director position was approved. Following an extensive search, the Commission recommended Louise Casson to the Board of Selectmen. Having received approval, Louise took office on September 8, 1997. Her first few months were spent networking with various public and private organizations and assessing the needs and wishes of the community. She will be exercising her skills and talents in the year to come with seasonal program offerings and special events for all age groups. In addition, she will assume the responsibility of the waterfront program and will hire and supervise the Beach Director and lifeguards.

The passing of Warrant Article #25 awarded the Recreation Commission the sum of \$25,000 for new playground structures at Elkins Beach. The \$25,000 amount was from an initial proposal for an elaborate structure filling the site. On reflection, the Commission found themselves uncomfortable with the scale and design choices. The Commission scrapped the initial recommendations and chose a simple combination of structures. These aptly met current safety codes and also fulfilled the desired function of the structures removed. The new playground lends nicely to the surroundings at Elkins Beach. Donations of materials, food and beverage were generously made by local businesses. The most generous donation came from the community itself. Over 30 volunteers worked along with the Recreation Commission from early morning until all structures were standing. It was an impressive sight and a tiresome effort. All in all, from ground breaking to the setting of concrete to the finishing of landscape cloth and sand, the project was completed in six days. The cost of the equipment came in under \$10,000, however, installation costs brought the grand total to \$10,310. As warranted by Article #25, the additional \$310 was raised through gracious donations.

Nate Chipman returned in his combined role of Head Guard and Beach Director for the Waterfront Program. Nate organized, trained, scheduled and supervised the guards and swim instructors. American Red Cross swim lessons were once again offered over a five week period and taught by WSI certified lifeguards. The registration fee for out-of-town swimmers was increased this year from \$5 to \$20 and, yet, still remained an excellent value. Our lifeguard return rate of 75% provided continuity to both the swim program and the beaches. A couple of new faces proved to be excellent additions to the staff. The Commission and the Recreation Director will be making waterfront program improvements to be implemented in the next year. Those changes will be communicated through "The Link."

We continue to provide aid to several local organizations and their fund raising events, be it through availing the bathhouses or lifeguard support. We are pleased to provide assistance whenever we can, especially to organizations like the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust and New London Hospital.

The Commission is very grateful for the efforts of the New London Garden Club. Their flowering touches add a natural and elegant beauty to our lovely beaches. Many thanks to all those who played a part in the colorful displays found at our public beach areas.

The Commission will continue to develop its new role and relationship with the Recreation Director. With the launching of a new Recreation Department and Louise Casson at the helm, we expect to bring the community together in new and different ways. We welcome your ideas and, more importantly, your participation. Our meetings are open to the public and the invitation to attend is extended to one and all. Your recreation office is now open to serve you. Please feel free to call Louise or stop by Whipple Memorial Town Hall and pay her a visit.

Respectfully submitted,
MUFFY DESLAURIER, Co-Chair
CRAIG DESLAURIER, Co-Chair

LOUISE A. CASSON, CLP, RTS
Recreation Director

TREE WARDEN

In 1996, Town Administrator Ilene Healy requested that the Tree Warden inventory and identify town trees. With the aid of colleague Jim Wells, the Tree Warden completed the inventory of all trees planted by the town since 1979. This is an ongoing project. The total of trees planted to date is 243.

This year the Town spent \$3,340 for fertilizing and trimming of town trees and \$6,000 to plant 22 new trees. In addition we purchased \$660 worth of new tags for the identification and inventory program.

Because of the interest and respect the Town of New London has for its trees, the Tree City USA award was received again for the eleventh consecutive year.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT FRALEY
Tree Warden

ROAD AGENT

CEMETERY DIVISION

Ken and John were back with us for a fourth year last summer. They continued to do a great job in the cemeteries. Along with mowing and trimming they did stone work and brush cutting. Late in the fall of 1997 we installed the water lines in Old Main Street Cemetery. In the spring we need to pressure test them and fasten down the faucets.

TRANSFER STATION DIVISION

The transfer station continues to be a busy place. The amount of recyclables that we put through there has stayed about the same as last year. The staff continues to do a great job of keeping the place operating, clean and decorated for the different holidays. Overall the public is very good about what they bring into the transfer station, but once in awhile we have someone who wants to dispose of things that we may not take. Please remember the attendants are doing their job when they say that an item may not be disposed of there. We are told by others what we may and may not dispose of with our trash.

A. Transfer Haul	1997	1996
Town Weight (tons)	2,564.92	2,565.82
B. Recycling		
Material Sold (tons)	122.90	749.88
Revenue (\$)	\$ 2,811.81	\$11,287.44
Cost Avoidance	<u>9,105.70</u>	<u>72,363.42</u>
Total Benefit	\$11,917.51	\$83,650.86

1997 YEAR END

C. Recycling Statistics	Weight	Revenue
Newspaper	504,430	\$ 724.15
Cardboard	456,270	7,228.75
Glass	206,140	
Light Metal (Scrap)	144,640	1,646.76
Steel Cans (Tin)	33,985	535.64
Aluminum Foil & Plates	482	
Aluminum Cans	7,845	4,322.08
Batteries (Home)	1,775	
Plastic Bottles (HDPE)	10,219	810.00
Plastic (PETE)	<u>14,105</u>	<u>1,570.00</u>
Total	1,379,891	\$16,837.38

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT DIVISION

The highway department had a busy year. The winter was about normal with a couple of good storms. We had some small storms and had to use a lot of sand. We had some heavy rain storms in early April. During the summer we replaced many culverts in different areas of town. We repaired and cleaned ditches in many areas. Our major repair jobs last summer were on Knights Hill Road and Burnt Hill Road. On Burnt Hill, we replaced all of the culverts and dug

out some rocks that had heaved up. We also cut trees and reestablished the ditches on the Springfield end of the road. On Knights Hill Road we installed a couple of drainage systems on the County Road side of the hill. These were constructed out of plastic pipe, concrete catch basins and steel grates. We used perforated pipe to remove some of the water from under this road. When we finished, there were no longer any deep ditches on either side of the road. During the fall when the ditches were dry, there was water running in the system so we are now taking water out of the road bed. When we had the rain last fall, the systems worked well. After this we had the road ground up, graded and paved by an outside contractor. During the summer we also worked on some of the dirt roads adding gravel, knit pack and magnesium chloride for dust control.

In closing, I would like to thank the staff in all departments, the staff in the Town Office, the Board of Selectmen and the residents of the Town for a great year. As always, the Highway Department door is open to suggestions, comments or to just stop and say "hi."

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD E. LEE
Road Agent

CEMETERY COMMISSION

The three New London cemeteries - Elkins, Old Main Street and West Part - continue to be maintained in excellent condition under the direction of the Road Agent, Richard Lee. The Commission thanks the sextons, Ken Follansbee and John Wiltshire, for their hard work and friendly nature in dealing with the public who visit our cemeteries.

A major improvement project in the form of a water system was installed in the Old Main Street cemetery late in the fall. The early snowfall prevented the finishing touches needed, but it will be operational in the spring of 1998. There are now over 20 water spigots located throughout the cemetery which will make it much easier for people to water their flowers and shrubbery.

There were 25 interments in the New London cemeteries in 1997.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES M. HAFNER, Chairman
MARION C. HAFNER
WALTON W. CHADWICK
Cemetery Commissioners

NEW LONDON SEWER COMMISSION

During 1997, the Sewer Commission has continued working with its long term plan for replacement and rehabilitation of equipment, lines and control systems in its approximately twenty-year-old system. This plan is being funded in the budget by an annual flat line item, with the monies set aside for these ongoing upgrades. This plan, which has now been in place several years, accomplishes a more modest increase to the user fees on an annual basis.

The year started with the replacement and repair of the air release valves and vacuum releases in the Jobs Creek force main sewer line. This six-mile line connects the Georges Mills pumping station to the Town of Sunapee's treatment plant. These valves have been in place over a twenty-year period and have become corroded and weakened. The release valves are essential to the removal of entrained air. They break the vacuum created by the hydrodynamics of pumping liquid over uneven terrain. This project was done with no interruption of flow to the Town over a period of four weeks. During those weeks, the valves were removed, cleaned, repaired and/or replaced, then installed. This line is the Town of New London's major force main, which transports all of New London's effluent for treatment.

At the New London Pump Station updating of the transfer switch was accomplished without replacement. The transfer switch must work flawlessly in the event of a power outage. This switch transfers line power to generator standby power. All pump stations have generators and are exercised regularly in case of any emergency.

A computer program that interfaces with the Town of New London GIS mapping was purchased. This allows data information to be placed in one program at the Sewer Department with historical information, maintenance records, preventative maintenance directives and diagnostic information. This will be an ongoing project for several years, as this information is slowly gathered, entered and analyzed.

The Sewer Commission, as a reminder, would like to take this opportunity to state that it is against the Town Ordinance to have any sump pump from any building discharging into a town sewer system. These pumps are to be daylighted onto the private owner's property. The Commission has a right to send a representative to inspect a property at any time for violation of this ordinance. The Commission is asking all users to please look at their sump pump setup and if in violation of this ordinance, to voluntarily remove and reinstall this pump into another discharge system. Thank you.

The New London Sewer Commission meets regularly on every Tuesday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Your comments and suggestions are helpful to the Commission to serve the users and community better.

Respectfully submitted,
ANN S. BEARDSLEY
Chairman

TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

The Town Clerk's office began 1997 with a new service to the residents of New London; namely, mail-in renewal automobile registrations. "Thank you" to Selectman Ed Taylor for the suggestion. This has proven to be a most successful program. Actual mail-in registrations are about 26% of the letters mailed, but the figures do not indicate time saved by people who come in with their checks written, nor do the figures show the number of people who are grateful for the reminders. We are pleased to give people a choice but want you to know that we are also happy to see you in person.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office and the Selectmen's office have set uniform hours beginning January 5, 1998. Both offices will be open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.. Implementation of this schedule will eliminate confusion over our respective hours, and we believe will better serve our community. Feedback will be appreciated.

We are grateful to New London property owners for their timely payments of property taxes. As of the end of December, 1997, 97.4% of the first billing and 93.3% of the second billing were collected.

Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Tax Collector, Linda M. Hardy, continued her education toward certification through the New Hampshire City & Town Clerks and Tax Collectors Joint Certification Program. The certification program takes place at UNH for one week each summer for four years.

I am serving on the Board of Directors of the New England Municipal Clerks Institute and Academy as Curriculum Chair. The New England Institute is held at Salve Regina University, Newport, Rhode Island, one week each summer.

Linda and I also attend the district and annual meetings of our state associations to keep abreast of changes in procedures and laws. The purpose of these continuing education programs is to assist clerks and tax collectors in developing and maintaining the high level of administrative expertise needed for the successful operation of our offices.

Respectfully submitted,
LOIS E. MARSHALL
Town Clerk & Tax Collector

TRACY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

1997 was a momentous year for Tracy Memorial Library, marking its 100th anniversary as a public library. A week of special events and celebrations took place during the week of July 14th.

The Library continues to grow in terms of circulation of materials and use of the building and services. It remains one of the most active per capita libraries in the state. Circulation increased to more than 120,000 items; 1195 new books and 183 audio-visual items were added; 575 books were delivered to homebound patrons; 432 items were borrowed from other libraries for our patrons; and 683 items were loaned to other libraries. In mid-July the Library began offering public access to the Internet. Improved technology has allowed us to expand our reference and interlibrary loan services.

During 1997, close to 2000 adults attended 35 programs, and just under 6000 children participated in a total of 212 programs. In addition, there was continued growth in the use of the Library's meeting room by local and regional groups.

The Library's service to the children deserves special mention. The impressive number of children using Tracy Library is an indication of the quantity and quality of the programs offered: pre-school story hours, after-school programs, bedtime stories, the summer reading program, arts and science programs, the holiday party and puppet show, and Tomie dePaola's annual visit.

During the past year, the New London Garden Club developed a plan to restore the Library gardens to approximate their original state. Designed by the noted landscape architectural firm of Frederick Olmsted, the gardens were created in 1927. With the help of old pictures and the original plans, the Garden Club, with assistance from the Library and the Town, will over a period of years create a beautiful garden for the enjoyment of all New London residents and visitors.

The Friends of Tracy Library continue to provide generous support to the Library, offering hours of volunteer service, purchasing special materials and equipment, and sponsoring many programs. This year, in addition to sponsoring the usual programs (Fall and Spring Lecture Series, Book Browsers, Winter and Summer Great Decisions, Opera North Young Artists Concert, Holiday Tea, Volunteer Party), the Friends supported many of the special events held during the Centennial Celebration week, and they offered a wonderful trip to the Currier Gallery and New Hampshire Symphony. With Friends funds we purchased an encyclopedia and several reference books, CD ROM products and on-line database searches, 2 new computer monitors, toys, and games for the children's room. The Friends continue to sponsor the Newsletter and send birthday cards, ice cream cone certificates, and library card applications to area children who turn six.

The Board of Trustees extends its sincere appreciation to the Library staff, the dedicated volunteers, the Friends of the Tracy Library, the Town Officials, and the citizens of New London. The success of Tracy Memorial Library is due to your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN FLYNN
Chairman

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

The Trustees continued to monitor the various trust funds and capital reserve funds for the Town over the course of the year. The capital markets were rewarding, and those funds that have a portion of assets invested for growth performed well.

The Tracy Library Fund provided approximately \$16,000 in income to the library. After the income distributions, the overall fund gained approximately 15% in market value. The investments in the Common Cemetery Fund produced a return of approximately 16%. The Trustees chose to take some profits in the growth-oriented mutual funds of both the Tracy Trust and the Common Fund at mid-year, providing some capital gains to be reinvested in income-producing assets. The re-purchase of cemetery lots over the course of 1997 required the expenditure of some principal in the Cemetery Fund; however, no income expenditures were necessary. Funds were delivered to the Town from the Fire Vehicle Fund for the purchase of fire equipment and from the Highway Equipment Reserve for the purchase of equipment.

At the November meeting, the Trustees resolved to review fund asset allocation semi-annually in February and November.

Respectfully submitted,
MARTIN FEINS, Chairman

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

April 30, 1997

Suzanne and Steve Jesseman, William and Nancy Lander for Bennett Bidwell and Ann Sanborn for a Variance to the terms of Article 5, Section B4 of the Zoning Ordinance to subdivide the existing non-conforming lot into two equal parcels to then be annexed to abutting lots owned by the Jessemans and the Landers, Hastings Landing Road (Tax Map 103, Lot 5) GRANTED

April 30, 1997

Jim Labe and Caroline Crawford, Trustees of Two Loons Trust, for a Variance to the terms of Article 5, Section C-2 of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a 25' x 26' garage 10' from the side yard setback on property located at 66 Bunker Road (Tax Map 62, Lot 29) DENIED

July 16, 1997

F.R. and Edith Worth for a variance to the terms of Article V, Section C.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a sunroom in the 25' setback from the road on property located at 21 Old County Road (Tax Map 46, Lot 22) DENIED

July 16, 1997

Bruce and Lisa Parsons, Marylou and David Cronin for a Variance to the terms of Article V, Section B.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to create a non-conforming lot from the Cronin property to be used solely to access the Parson property located at 6 Old Route 11, (Tax Map 56, Lot 11) DENIED

July 16, 1997

C. Edward Broom, Broom Family Foundation, for a Special Exception to the terms of Article 20, Section 10 of the Zoning Ordinance to convert a residential home into a school building for the Mt. Royal Academy on property presently owned by Paul and Ann Linehan located at 124 Burpee Hill Road (Tax Map 56, Lot 12) DENIED

July 16, 1997

Patricia Wenmark for a Variance to the terms of Article V, Section C.3 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a 10' setback on one side of a newly created corner lot to allow for a new public street off Seamans Road on property located on Seamans Road (Tax Map 85, Lot 24A) DENIED

September 10, 1997

Patricia Wenmark and James C. Cleveland Trust for a Special Exception to the terms of Article XI, Section E.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to fill 1800 sq. ft. of poorly drained soils to construct a private road on property located off Seamans Road (Tax map 74, Lot 36) in the R1 zone. GRANTED

September 10, 1997

Charles and Ann Denny for a Special Exception to the terms of Article XII, Sections E.1 and F.5 which would allow the Dennys to have an access road built to cross a shallow swale to get to a good site to construct a replacement sewage disposal system. They also requested a reduction to the setback between the septic tank and shallow swale on property located at 12 Davis Hill Road (Tax Map 55, Lot 8). GRANTED

September 17, 1997

Jane Landenberger for a Variance to the terms of Article XV, Section 111B of the Zoning Ordinance to construct a 12' x 14' screen porch to her home within 25' from the shore of Messer Pond on property located at 2 Beaver Point (Tax Map 106, Lots 6 & 7) GRANTED

September 17, 1997

Laurids and Heidi Lauridsen for an expansion of a Special Exception to the terms of Article XX, Section C.5 of the Zoning Ordinance to add a 53' x 30' addition to the east side of the existing building on property located at 4 King Hill Road (Tax Map 131, Lots 11 & 12). The original Special Exception was granted September 18, 1974 and was expanded on November 4, 1982 and again on November 14, 1990. GRANTED

September 17, 1997

Robert and Steven Lull for Heath and Lull, Inc. for a Special Exception to the terms of Article X, Section C.5 of the Zoning Ordinance to add a car wash in a separate building at the commercial site at 32 Newport Road (Tax Map 59, Lot 26) GRANTED

October 2, 1997

Jay and Barbara Rosenfield for a Variance to the terms of Article XV, Section 111B of the Zoning Ordinance to add an 8' x 16' home office to their home which would be 25' from Lake Sunapee instead of the required 50' on property located on Route 103A (Tax Map 80, Lot 09) GRANTED

October 2, 1997

Linda Brenner of Woodcrest for a Special Exception to the terms of Article XX, Section C10 of the Zoning Ordinance to expand the present facility to house 45 residents in a retirement facility for the elderly on property located at 141 Main Street (Tax Map 84, Lot 13) GRANTED

Respectfully submitted,

BETTY HERRICK

Chairman

**THE AUSBON SARGENT LAND PRESERVATION TRUST
(ASLPT)**

What a wonderful year 1997 was for the ASLPT! We celebrated 10 years of protecting land in the Kearsarge/Sunapee region, received the Walter J. Dunfey Award for Excellence in Management, and increased our membership from 572 to 676.

Three more parcels of land were added to New London's protected open space including the Baldwin field, the Drake/Cross meadow and the West/Anthony/James marsh. Each property plays an important role in maintaining New London's rural character. These extraordinary open spaces have been protected for your enjoyment and help make New London a special place to live.

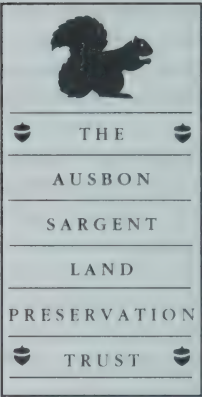
Located along Seamans Road and Route 11, the highly visible Baldwin property (formerly the Gene Sarazen/Mary Ann Ilnicki field) is comprised of 14.10 acres and was listed as a "top" priority in New London's Master Plan. As a "gateway" or "entranceway" property (the sequences of views as one arrives or departs from Town), the Baldwin field is critically important to the visual character and quality associated with New London.

In 1996, thanks to the overwhelming support of the community, the ASLPT purchased the 5.6 acre Main Street Meadow. On December 22, 1997, abutters Priscilla Drake and Deborah Cross donated a conservation easement on their field. Together, the two parcels cover an area of 12.2 acres and provide the public with spectacular views from lower Main Street to the South and West.

The ASLPT worked closely with the New London Conservation Commission to protect 5.12 acres at the corner of Columbus Avenue and Route 103A. A mixture of marsh and forest, the land was donated to the Town of New London by Mary West, Edward Anthony and Helen James. In turn, the Town granted a conservation easement to the ASLPT insuring that this important wetland remains undeveloped. Strategically located, this property not only filters contaminants from I-89 that threaten the water quality of Lake Sunapee but also provides a visual and acoustic barrier to the highway.

Many thanks to everyone who has supported the ASLPT! Your generosity has helped protect 1,140 acres in the Kearsarge/Sunapee region. To learn more about the ASLPT, please call 526-6555 or write to P.O. Box 2040, New London, NH 03257.

Respectfully submitted,
DEBORAH STANLEY
Executive Director



TOWN OF NEW LONDON BANDSTAND COMMITTEE

It hardly seems possible that next summer will mark the tenth annual summer of concerts on the Haddad Bandstand...it feels like yesterday when the bandstand was but an idea! Last summer, through the generosity of local business underwriters, the Committee again was able to present a season of eight concerts. The diversity of bands available appears never-ending and the Committee each year attempts to please the broad spectrum of audience members that gather on the Sargent Common each Friday for an evening of musical entertainment.

Through the tireless efforts of Ruth Sisson, our program Coordinator, who books all of our attractions and our hard-working Community Liaison, Jim Moreland, the season was another success. The support from the local business community that underwrites each concert assures that the Committee can continue its work without the expenditure of tax dollars. We again ask that the audience recognize these contributions by expressing its appreciation to these underwriters.

No project of this size can happen without the help of many people who assist in many ways: moving chairs, preparing refreshments for the musicians, helping to "police" the Common after the concerts and being supportive of this community effort. In addition to those already mentioned, the Committee is fortunate to count Anna Green, Norman Leger, Lois Marshall, Ellie Norris, Mary Teach and April Whittaker among its numbers. We also express thanks to the New London Garden Club for the beautiful seasonal planting and the New London Area Chamber of Commerce for the holiday decorations that make our town so beautiful at that special time of year.

While last year saw the repainting of the structure and the laying of a summer water line and bubbler, the coming years hold promise of a new "state-of-the-art" sound system that should greatly enhance the audience enjoyment of the concert series. The Committee already has engaged several bands, both new and returning ones, for the gala tenth anniversary season. So come summer, when you see the bunting flying on the Bandstand, please join us for eight fun-filled Friday evenings of music on Sargent Common.

Respectfully submitted,
STEVE MENDELSON
Chairman



The Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc., a non-profit organization, was founded in July, 1992. We serve people fifty-five years of age and older in nine area towns: Andover, Danbury, Grafton, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton and Wilmot. We promote, develop and reinforce programs which support and enhance the health, well-being, dignity and independence of senior adults.

Our basic services continue to grow. 1997 shows increases in volunteer provided rides, assistance with small home repairs, supportive daily phone contact with the home bound, friendly visits with seniors in their homes, intergenerational assistance with reading programs in local schools, referral to appropriate resources to answer the needs of our clients. Our monthly newsletter reports those and other services to keep our members informed.

Social, educational and recreational gatherings included our annual Valentine Luncheon, Mountain Day, The Shaker Experience and the Christmas Reception. "Granite State Stories" discussions were held at the Tracy Library in New London, led by Dr. Patrick Anderson of Colby-Sawyer College and funded by the N.H. Humanities Council. "Conversations with Lunch," coordinated with the Community Action Program, were held monthly and highlighted by the annual picnic held at Muster Field Farm in Sutton. A new program, "Outdoor Recreation for Seniors," featured biking, kayaking, hiking, an overnight at Camp Coniston and many more activities. **"Walk Your Way Through Winter" resulted in sixty members walking over 2000 miles in a five month period.**

Our move to 12 Newport Rd., New London, in December, 1996, brought the opportunity to expand our services and activities for our membership and made 1997 a banner year for COA. Our monthly newsletter carried a Calendar of Events to keep members informed of these expanded services. 1997 activities including exercise classes, bridge lessons, quilting for babies at risk, paint with peers, Friday at the movies, dominoes, library, blood pressure screening, flu shots, tax assistance, art show and reception with members' works displayed, and the Let's Talk Program - a series of discussions concerning nutritional, emotional, financial and societal matters - were conducted in the Center. **In a major undertaking 140 members have received training on the Introduction to Computer courses.**

There are **1453** members of COA of which **665** are New London residents. Over the last twelve months **116** New London volunteers have given **2782** hours of their time to help provide the services of COA to our communities.

Financial support from New London and other area towns account for approximately 20% of our required funds.

We are deeply grateful to New London and other area towns along with donors to our fund drive, foundation grants, advertisers in our newsletter and individual clients for past and future assistance.

Our very special thanks to those dedicated volunteers who give so selflessly of their time and talent. Without them there is no COA.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT J. BRADLEY
Chairman

**COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM
BELKNAP-MERRIMACK COUNTIES, INC.**

Over the past nineteen years, the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program has been the focal point of social service delivery in this area, providing help when needed to the income eligible and elderly, as well as to the community at large.

As perhaps you are aware, Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. generates funds through the mobilization of available Federal, State and local monies. Support for the local Area Center is derived from a combination of Federal appropriations and local tax dollars. This combination allows the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program to provide a variety of services to the residents of your community, from the development of programs which meet local needs, to outreach, referral and direct assistance.

The staff of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center wish to thank the Town of New London for your support in the past. With your continued interest, we will be able to continue to provide needed services to the members of your community.

Respectfully submitted,
BARBARA CHELLIS, Area Director
Kearsarge Valley Area Center

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a burning permit is required. Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law and other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are ten Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.

There are 2400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1997 fire season was a safe period for wildland firefighters with no major injuries reported. The drought conditions experienced during the early summer months was a significant factor resulting in the total number of fires reported during the season.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, 2 mobile patrols and 3 contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss of property and suppression costs as low as possible.

1997 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported thru December 23, 1997)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

Belknap	58
Carroll	96
Cheshire	63
Grafton	51
Hillsborough	145
Merrimack	148
Rockingham	54
Strafford	63
Sullivan	19

TOTAL FIRES	726
TOTAL ACRES	177.17

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Smoking	54
Debris Burning	261
Campfire	99
Power Line	33
Railroad	3
Equipment Use	23
Lightning	14
Children	60
OHRV	0
Miscellaneous	130
Incendiary	33
Fireworks	16

Respectfully submitted,
DOUGLAS C. MINOR
Forest Ranger

WALTER PARTRIDGE, JR.
Forest Fire Warden

NEW LONDON GARDEN CLUB



Members of the New London Garden Club, founded in 1928, have been planting and maintaining eighteen public garden areas in New London and Elkins for many years. Moore's Landscaping recently assumed responsibility for Homan's Corner, and the Town Highway Department provides compost, mulch, clean-up and some necessary muscle. In addition to the above, members also:

- *Make Christmas wreaths for the churches and public buildings in town.
- *Make Christmas favors for the Extended Care residents.
- *Assist the Town in its conservation efforts.
- *Participate in the renovation and upkeep of the Hay Estate.
- *Hold a plant sale on Hospital Day to benefit the New London Hospital.
- *Care for the plants in the hospital lobby and the rooms of the patients and Extended Care residents.

In July, the Club holds its annual Antique Show and Sale on the New London Green. This has been a major summer event for residents and visitors to the area for thirty years. Proceeds from the Antique Show are used to:

- *Purchase plants and shrubs for the public gardens.
- *Purchase books and materials relating to gardening, flower arranging, and horticulture for the Tracy Memorial Library and, in the future, for the local schools.
- *Fund Scholarships to the UNH College of Life Sciences and Agriculture and the Thompson School of Applied Science in fields of interest to the Club.

Participating in the above activities are 125 Active, 33 Associate, and 10 Honorary members and 4 Friends of the NLGC - individuals who, because of employment, cannot fulfill the requirements of membership but want to help in beautifying New London and furthering the aims of the Club.

The New London Garden Club would like to thank the residents of New London for their support of our endeavors. Hopefully, the Club will be able to beautify the Town for as many years in the future as it has in the past.

Respectfully submitted,
DEIRDRE SEGERSON
President, 1997

NEW LONDON HOSPITAL

Key Statistics for Fiscal Years Ending 9/30/97 and 9/30/96

	1997	1996
New London Hospital		
Admissions	1,192	1,236
Average length of stay	5.8 days	6.0 days
Patient days	6,905	7,467
Average occupancy rate	54.1%	58.3%
Surgical cases		
Inpatient	312	376
Outpatient	861	601
Emergency room visits	9,939	10,335
Physical therapy treatments	14,979	15,764
Lab tests	98,687	95,850
X-rays	13,052	11,989
Mammograms	2,644	2,156
CT Scans	841	780
MRI scans	245	179
The Clough Center		
Patient days	19,805	19,048
Average occupancy rate	96.9%	92.9%

Community Benefit Report for Fiscal Year Ending 9/30/97

- regular community health education programs
- 78 free baseline mammograms during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- 20 mammograms funded through the hospital's Mammography Fund
- 201 individuals screened at 3 free cholesterol screenings
- speakers for 2 area organizations
- 7 tours for school groups
- internships in community relations, human resources, child care, nursing, rehab and respiratory therapy
- teaching site and special projects for Dartmouth medical students and residents
- participation in Colby-Sawyer College Health Fair, Sunapee PTO Health Fair, Newport Health & Safety Fair and Kearsarge Regional School District School to Work Program
- ongoing meeting room space for 5 outside groups
- vaccines at below cost for public safety agencies
- 180 free sports physicals for Little League players in the Newport/Goshen/Lempster area
- infant car seat loan program
- ambulance service: New London Hospital is one of only two hospitals in the state which runs its own ambulance service. During fiscal year 1997, the ambulance service made 507 emergency runs, 260 transfers and 269 no-transfer runs. Ambulance pricing does not cover all of the costs associated with running the service. Some area towns provide funding to help make up the difference.
- charity care: In fiscal year 1997, the hospital and physician practices owned by the hospital provided \$170,254 in free or discounted health care services to area residents who could not afford to pay

- coordination of Allies for Regional Community Health (ARCH): ARCH was initiated by the hospital in September of 1994 as an ongoing, community-wide effort to evaluate and seek ways to improve the community's health status and quality of life. Fiscal year 1997 initiatives included the work of the Kearsarge Lake Sunapee Area Smokefee Coalition, expansion of The Rock Dental Clinic, and education for the 55+ population. Many community members and organizations are to be commended for their participation in these efforts.

Integration Activity Supports Mission

1997 was our first full year in a newly renovated facility. Our staff and physicians now enjoy a modern infrastructure and well-organized facility, and our patients enjoy comfortable, modern surroundings with much more privacy. We are all proud of the results of our planning and reconstruction. We are especially grateful to the hundreds of community members who pledged more than \$1,000,000 to help make it all possible.

1997 was also our first year as a member of Capital Region Health Care (CRHC), a growing health care system with three hospitals, two visiting nurse associations (VNAs) and more than 125 employed physicians. We have worked together over the past year to evaluate integration opportunities, economies of scale and ways to increase access to care.

The conversion to the CRHC information system is our most costly and time-consuming integration activity to date. When we complete our conversion by August, 1998, we will have a state-of-the-art system which will link physician offices to the hospital's clinical and financial data, and New London Hospital to other members of CRHC. We will have taken a quantum leap into the information age!

Clinically, the hospitals and VNAs have begun working together to improve access and quality of care. A discharge planning team has enhanced communications between caregivers and families and eased the transition from an inpatient setting to an outpatient or home care setting.

Special task forces, including representation from all CRHC members, are also working to assess integration opportunities in long-term care, behavioral health and rehabilitation services. Through all of this, a real esprit de corps has developed among the employees of each organization. It is an exciting process to plan our future together!

All of these integration initiatives support our strategic plan, and most importantly, our mission — to improve the health status of our communities through an integrated system of quality services delivered with compassion and respect.

Respectfully submitted,
 ALYSON PITMAN-GILES
 President and CEO, New London Hospital

NEW LONDON HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

For 73 years the New London Hospital Auxiliary has carried out its mission to render service and financial assistance to the New London Hospital Association and to promote the health and well being of the community. In 1997, the Auxiliary presented a check to the Hospital for \$55,000 to help pay the debt incurred for the much needed renovation. Financial Assistance to the Hospital employees came in the form of \$3,300 in scholarships for academic study and daycare. High School students interested in the medical field were awarded \$3,300 in scholarship money.

All of this was made possible by the hard work of many of the Auxiliary members in such endeavors as:

- Rummage sales
- Pillows rented at the Barn Playhouse
- Contributions from the Easy Aces Bridge Players
- Dues and Contributions from our 342 members
- Tina Cricenti Golf Tournament
- Hospital Day Booths and Book Sale
- Various successful fund raisers

Future fund raisers in the planning stage include:

- An entertaining evening with Loretta LaRoche serving “**LOVE, LAUGHTER AND LASAGNA**” in September of 1998
- A **DECORATOR’S SHOWHOUSE** in the fall of 1999

The Auxiliary also:

- Helps with the Extended Care Christmas Party
- Sponsors a yearly Bloodmobile
- Supports the Hospital Volunteer Program

Monthly meetings are usually held the first Wednesday of February, April, May, June (Spring Luncheon), October and December (Christmas Luncheon).

10:00 a.m. Gathering

10:30 a.m. Program

11:30 a.m. Business Meeting

12:15 p.m. Lunch (Bring a sandwich. Soup, dessert and coffee will be available).

Please join us for all or part of these meetings. Everyone is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,
DEIRDRE SEGERSON, President
New London Hospital Auxiliary

NEW LONDON INFORMATION BOOTH

Under the auspices of the New London Chamber of Commerce and with the financial support of the Town of New London, the Information Booth served the information needs of town residents, visitors and the traveling public passing through New London. Questions were answered, directions given, accommodations found, maps and brochures provided, services unearthed, tickets to local events sold, and all sorts of information was furnished both by visits and by phone calls. In addition to serving the information needs of its patrons, the Information Booth served to publicize New London's businesses and services and also those of Chamber of Commerce members in the New London area.

In 1997, the Information Booth was open daily from 10:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. from June 21st through Labor Day, and after Labor Day weekends only through Columbus Day for a total of 86 days. A total of 2560 persons visited the booth for a daily average of 29.77 per day. At the same time, 503 telephone calls were made to the booth. Visitors to the booth in 1997 came from 43 states and 26 countries. As usual, the greatest number of visitors came from New Hampshire with Massachusetts second followed in frequency by New York, Connecticut, New Jersey, Florida and Pennsylvania. Of the foreign countries, the most visitors came from England with Canada second followed by Germany, Japan and France.

The number of visitors this year gave the impression of being at the usual level, but an analysis of the trend over the last nine years indicates that the number of visitors has for unknown reasons lessened as shown by the following figures:

	1997	1996	5 yr. average (1989-93)	9 yr. average (1989-97)
Average visitors per day	29.77	33.7	42.79	36.19
Total visitors	2,560	2,964	3622.4	—
NH visitors	735	674	723.6	—
MA visitors	365	427	550.4	—
CT visitors	138	151	211.4	—
NY visitors	157	167	196.4	—

From these numbers it would appear that visitors from New Hampshire have remained quite constant over the last nine years but that the numbers from other states have diminished which has lowered the total number of visitors over the last several years. Whether these figures represent a cycle which may see a rise in the next few years or whether there is a real change in the travel habits of our most frequent visitors is something we cannot answer.

We continue to be very grateful to the New London Garden Club for their work in planting and maintaining the flower gardens around the Information Booth.

In addition to providing the services enumerated above, the Information Booth acts as a ticket office for local events sponsored by our various non-profit organizations and also sells New London historical publications and trail maps.

In providing information and services to residents and visitors, the New London Information Booth helps to maintain the reputation of New London as a nice place to live and to visit.

Respectfully submitted,
NANCY B. BENT
DONALD F. BENT

**LAKE SUNAPEE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION
LAKE SUNAPEE HOME CARE AND HOSPICE
LAKE SUNAPEE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES**

Services provided to people of New London.

Home Health Care for those recovering from an illness or injury:

Visits made: 8,935 to 139 patients

Hospice Care for patients and families experiencing a terminal illness:

Visits made: 1,028 to 13 patients

Community Clinics for adults, for immunizations and other wellness programs:

Patients served: 650

Long-term care for chronically ill adults and children needing support services:

Hours of Service: 20,285 to 94 patients

Maternal and Child Health for children and families needing newborn care, clinic and parent-ing support:

Families served: 21

School-age Child Care for families needing after school and summer day care:

Hours of service: 3,582 to 40 children

Lake Sunapee Region VNA is proud of its tradition of providing quality home health care to people in your community. 1997 has been a year of change for home health care. Medicare reports of fraud and abuse leave us wondering how we as consumers can know whether we're dealing with a quality organization. We are served by a volunteer Board of Trustees who, with staff, continually monitor our performance internally. Externally, licens-ing, certifying and accrediting bodies assess our performance against State and Federal stan-dards regularly. Most of all, we have committed, competent and caring staff and volunteers out in the community each day of the year providing needed home care.

Our affiliation with New London Hospital and Capital Region Health Care has allowed us to care for patients and families more efficiently and to access opportunities for achieving cost savings as part of a larger delivery system.

20 VNA employees, Trustee(s) Neil Atkins, Mary Teach, Robert Bowers, Michele Holton, Sonja Jacobson and Harry Weber, and many volunteers live in New London. As the health care delivery system and insurance benefits continue to evolve and change, we are more dependent than ever on the loyal support of the towns we serve to enable us to provide free and subsidized care to those people who might not otherwise have access to care. Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
ANDREA F. STEEL
President and CEO

NH/VT SOLID WASTE PROJECT

1997 saw many changes for both the Southern Windsor/Windham Counties Solid Waste Management District and the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District. Most notably, a concerted effort was made during the budget process for fiscal year 1998 to lower the tipping fee and create an economic incentive for delivery of trash from the member towns to the incinerator. This effort recognizes the dual obligation of the Districts - to ensure responsible management of the trash generated within the Districts, and to also meet their financial obligations. In the absence of a single, unified approach to guaranteeing delivery of trash for energy recovery by the Claremont plant, increasing the economic incentives for haulers to voluntarily deliver the trash was the next best tool available to us.

Several operational changes were also made during 1997. The most significant change occurred at the landfill in Newport, New Hampshire. In early December, additional tarps were placed on the open surfaces of the landfill. Leachate results from rain water running through the body of the landfill, and covering the surface of the landfill is anticipated to significantly reduce the amount of leachate. It is anticipated that this will result in substantial savings for the collection, transportation and disposal of the leachate.

The year has been similar to many others, however, with regard to legal activities. During 1997, a substantial amount was spent on legal services, but the outcome will benefit all the members of each District. The single most significant issue to be resolved this year was the Acworth case. The New Hampshire Superior Court has determined that Acworth failed to properly withdraw from the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District, and is therefore still a member. A trial is set for early February, 1998, to determine the calculation of damages, which is the single remaining issue.

Looking toward the future, the Districts have successfully reduced the operating budget for 1998 approximately 28%, down to \$3.17 million from \$4.4 million for 1997. This was largely due to the retirement of bonds and other non-recurring obligations. A new collections and credit management policy has been approved, which will be implemented in 1998, and it is anticipated to be helpful in recovering significant portions of the existing receivables. Every effort continues to be made to find ways to minimize costs and remain fiscally responsive to the Districts.

On a more personal note, the last six months have been a professional pleasure for me. The collaborative spirit of the towns has been both refreshing and motivating. The challenges that remain are significant, but the opportunities for resolution make the challenges exciting. I would like to specifically thank the members of the Executive Committee and the individual representatives for their support, cooperation, and encouragement, and I look forward to working together during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
MARY E. S. WILLIAMS
Project Director

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

UNH Cooperative Extension provides Merrimack County residents with research-based education and information, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families, and communities; sustain resources, forests, wildlife and agriculture; and improve the economy.

As your local link to the University of New Hampshire, Cooperative Extension provides practical education to people of all ages.

Because of our partnership with Merrimack County, the State of New Hampshire and the Federal Government, we go by the special name of UNH Cooperative Extension. In every Merrimack County community, this partnership is at work, increasing economic development, enhancing the environment and developing human potential.

Extension educators provide informal education programs in the areas of Natural Resources and Family, Community and Youth, advised and assisted by a local advisory council.

Merrimack County residents also benefit from statewide Extension programming. Among these many local and state efforts are monitoring water quality in our lakes and rivers, reducing the use of pesticides, parenting programs, 4-H and youth development programs, land use management, food safety, forest stewardship, family finances, meeting the needs of low income families, strengthening our communities, developing a strong volunteer base and providing research-based information to citizens.

A major statewide Extension initiative, Strengthening New Hampshire Communities, has impacted Merrimack County. County staff have worked with many of the communities in a variety of ways. The Community Profile was held in two communities in the past year. This community event works through a process to help community members create a vision about what they want their community to be like and then works through a process that helps form action groups to reach their goals. Follow-up support is available from UNH Cooperative Extension staff.

Other community efforts include after school programs, teen assessment projects, land use management planning, wellness teams, town office visits, Master Gardeners, working with schools on maintenance of landscaped areas, and providing updated Extension publication notebooks to all town libraries.

The staff in Merrimack County includes nine Extension educators, two state specialists and three support staff. Educators reach approximately 1.5 out of every four families in the county.

Visit our new office, located next to the Merrimack County Nursing Home at 315 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen. We're open Monday-Friday, 8 AM until 4 PM, or call us at 225-5505 and 796-2151, or find us on the Web at [HTTP://CEINFO.UNH.EDU](http://CEINFO.UNH.EDU).

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) is a voluntary association of 31 towns. The Commission is concerned with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic, environmental and social growth in the Region. It functions as a research, resource and informational agency and, when appropriate, acts to obtain Federal, State and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans and similar assistance for individual member towns and for the Region. The Commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), mapping, community development, grantsmanship and grant administration. In addition, regional studies, such as our Regional Transportation Plan, and regional projects, such as household hazardous waste collections and the Connecticut River Scenic Byway Study, are undertaken to the benefit of more than one community.

Thanks are due to both the Vermont and New Hampshire legislatures for their continued support. In New Hampshire, the Department of Environmental Services and the regional planning commissions are putting together a statewide environmental program which will require that certain specific tasks be completed in every region, but also allows some funds to be used on regional environmental priorities. Details are still being worked out. A work plan will be finalized in early 1998. This is great news! It enables our Commission to continue our commitment to environmental programs. In addition to providing staff support to the Economic Development Corporation of the Upper Valley, we were able to secure funds to develop a two-page economic summary for each town which will be posted on the Internet. In 1998, each community in the Region will have an Internet presence via our web page with community information, economic data, a map, statistics and an economic vision statement.

In the past year, services such as our Planning Board training series and library, which features maps, planning resources and US Census data, were available to all of our member communities.

In 1997, our work specifically for the Town of New London included:

- Met with Planning Board members to discuss Newport Road/County Road intersection.
- Performed turning movement counts at Main Street/Pleasant Street intersection.
- Assisted Planning Board with development of zoning amendments.
- Updated the Capital Improvements Plan.
- Continued to support the Planning Board by providing a circuit-riding planner to assist in review of subdivision and site plan review applications.
- Worked with the Planning Board to update the Town Master Plan. Work completed this year includes re-drafting the Community Facilities and Services, Conservation and Open Space, Utilities, Transportation, Historic Resources, Water Resource Protection, and Land Use chapters.
- Assisted the Town Administrator with a variety of questions that arise in the use of the Town's land use regulations.
- Worked with the Planning Board to amend their Bylaws.
- Met with the Sidewalk Committee to assist with their transportation enhancement grant application.
- Met with the Public Works Director to discuss results of the Road Surface Management Study.

- Applied for funds to continue work with Lake Sunapee Protective Association on water quality issues.
- Researched techniques used for watershed studies in other New England states for applic- ability to Lake Sunapee watershed.
- Applied for funds to assist water suppliers in identifying technical assistance needs relative to protection of current and future water supply sources.
- Participated in SPNHF Advisory Committee working to design a state program for assist- ing water suppliers with protection of land within a water supply area.
- Maintained geographic information system data for New London.
- Completed traffic counts on Burpee Road, County Road, Elkins Road, Pleasant Street and Seamans Road.

Our Commission looks forward to serving New London in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,
 KENNETH McWILLIAMS
 Senior Planner

1997 BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
January 5	Alexander Michael Fogg	NL	Robin L. Fogg	Robin L. Beard
January 12	Harley Renee Osgood	NL	Edward H. Osgood	Dorresa L. Gonyea
January 15	Matthew Norman McFall	NL	Norman S. McFall III	Mary E. Edwards
January 15	Emily Rose Safford	NL	Cory M Safford	Dawn R. Boucher
January 16	Quincy Leah Abramson	NL	Ronald L. Abramson	Christina W. Pickering
January 25	Quincy John Sheils	NL	Paul J. Sheils	Christine L. Nordlund
January 29	Jackson Edward Cote	NL	Paul A. Cote	Patricia M. Hanna
February 4	Michaela Riley Wheeler	NL	David M. Wheeler	Michelle M. Small
February 10	Elsie Joy Keeler	NL	Philip M. Keeler	Shura Gale
February 12	Grace Emma Givens	NL	James R. Givens	Maureen D. Smith
February 12	Elias Robert Parsons	NL	Andrew V. Parsons	Linda D. Duford
February 12	Trevor Andrew Parsons	NL	Andrew V. Parsons	Linda D. Duford
February 13	Lindsey Marie Corsack	NL	Lee R. Corsack	Kimberly Bourgeois
February 24	Jacob Alan Goldsberry	NL	Curt A. Goldsberry	Ellen S. Goss
March 6	Joseph Michael Merullo	NL	Michael W. Merullo	Carol M. Tellier
March 11	Kaytie Anne Torro	NL	Joseph D. Torro	Faye B. Graziano
March 14	Bryson Nicholas Barthol	NL	Gregory M. Barthol	Nancy H. Jordan
March 14	Eric Michael Fortune	NL	Samuel C. P. Fortune	Christina M. Whiting
March 19	Keana Breigh Reed	NL	James A. Reed	Trina M. Goodsell
March 27	Leah McMahon Corson	NL	Peter L. Corson	Susan A. McMahon
March 28	Hannah Joan Anderson	NL	Donald J. Anderson	Susan K. Chamberland
March 29	Mia Marie Charlebois	NL	Robert E. Charlebois	Lisa E. Moulton
April 1	John Richard Hisel	NL	John J. Hisel	Tammy L. Thurston
April 2	Kevin Adams Condict	LEB	Robert A. Condict	Alyson M. Weymouth
April 2	Mariah Leigh McCorkle	NL	Rodney L. McCorkle	Michelle M. Charron
April 2	Tara Pearl Wilcox	NL	Gary R. Wilcox	Cheri D. Thron
April 3	Kelsey Anne Seaver	NL	Ryan K. Seaver	Koren A. Tusoni

MAIDEN NAME OF

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MOTHER
April 4	Daniel Donald Gingras, Jr.	NL	Daniel D. Gingras, Sr.	Susannah E. Swett
April 5	Courtney Ann Grant	NL	Phillip M. Grant, Jr.	Dawn M. Wimet
April 6	Ian McNeil Lubold	NL	Alan D. Lubold	Susan M. Black
April 9	Tristan Lane Rowe	NL	Christopher S. Rowe	Rebecca N. Cochran
April 10	Lillian Elizabeth Naimie	NL	Christopher E. Naimie	Tina E. Girouard
April 11	April Marie Hummel	LEB	Jacob I. Hummel	Karin B. Rennells
April 13	Chancellor Frederick Moschell	NL	Scott F. Moschell	Monica J. Beers
April 18	Daniel Joseph Laughlin	NL	Martin F. Laughlin	Diane F. Taylor
April 18	Catherine Margaret Tremblay	NL	James J. Tremblay	Victoria L. Brewer
April 29	Myles Jordan Bouchard	NL	Glen G. Bouchard	Judy Corriveau
May 1	Dylan Broderick Cooper	NL	Seth E. Cooper	Lori A. Pelletier
May 4	Megan Elizabeth Harris	NL	Michael S. Harris	Wendy J. Rice
May 4	Caleb Wesley Morrison	NL	Kevin M. Morrison	Ruth A. Ratcliffe
May 7	Madeline Rose Rublee	LEB	John F. Rublee	Victoria A. Broom
May 8	Dylan James Cole	NL	Timothy V.N. Cole	Darcie L. Giuseffi
May 8	Skyler Everitt Cole	NL	Timothy V.N. Cole	Darcie L. Giuseffi
May 8	Maxwell David McLean	NL	Mark W. McLean	Kellee L. Flint
May 16	Shannon Rebecca Haley	NL	Frank M. Haley	Vicki S. Kellogg
May 22	Liam Christopher Sherwin	NL	Gerard P. Sherwin	Heather Peterson
May 22	Cole David Stetson	NL	Todd R. Stetson	Ann M. Kibbey
May 22	Micah Gardiner Stetson	NL	Todd R. Stetson	Ann M. Kibbey
May 24	Kathrine Anne Brunt	NL	Robert P. Brunt	Gail M. Aubertin
May 24	Cole William Reinhardt	NL	Kurt W. Reinhardt	Wendy L. Nason
June 4	Molly Rose Woods	NL	Bryant P. Woods	Sarah H. Wicklund
June 5	Melynda Anne Seaholm	NL	Wayne E. Seaholm	Laurie L. Furbush
June 5	Elijah Deane Shedd	NL	Lawrence E. Shedd	Judith A. Sanborn
June 29	Keith James Davis	NL	Ransom W. Davis III	Roseanne M. Foote
June 30	Sarah Abigail-Rae Trombly	NL	Matthew R. Trombly	Jolene G. Bailey
July 3	John Robert Graham	NL	Donald H. Graham	Christine M. Chase

MAIDEN NAME OF

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MOTHER
July 5	Jordan Michelle Patten	NL	Dallas M. Patten	Laura D. Clapper
July 6	Russell Thurston Warren	NL	Lawrence T. Warren	Linda L. Firda
July 8	Lindsey Paige Cormier	NL	Vincent S. Cormier	Tina M. Currier
July 9	Philip Pelham Kessler	NL	Jeffrey F. Kessler	Laura C. McCrillis
July 9	Anna Marie Richardson	NL	Douglas G. Richardson, Jr.	Pamela A. Hirthe
July 15	Brenden William Champney	NL	William S. Champney	Dawn L. Palmer
July 17	Hillary Noel Moore	NL	Christopher M. Moore	Elizabeth J. Hertzler
July 17	Rachel Nicole Rosenthal	LEB	Eugene D. Rosenthal	Linda A. Dugan
July 17	Gabriel Robert Varney	NL	James P. Varney	Michele M. Doyle
July 18	Katherine Marie Greenlaw	NL	George E. Greenlaw II	Jennifer R. Meatty
July 24	Richard Alden Behan	NL	Ronald C. Behan	Dayna A. Gould
July 27	Kaylee Jeanne St. Pierre	NL	Richard R. St. Pierre	Charleen L. Crowley
August 4	Henry Thomas Trzesiara III	NL	Henry T. Trzesiara II	Amanda M. Kennett
August 7	Bryan Chandler Pitkin	NL	Mark A. Pitkin	Lisa M. Kingsbury
August 14	Cameron Stanley Johns	NL	Jeremy C. Johns	Tania S. Durgin
August 21	Douglas Robert Foy	CLARE	Stephen D. Foy	Elizabeth A. Sicard
August 24	Christopher Michael Perron	NL	Wayne E. Perron	Lorie J. Therrien
August 25	Ryan Michael Burns	NL	Todd E. Burns	Allison L. Fulton
August 27	Colin Tyler Andrews	NL	Robert C. Andrews	Margaret A. Rogers
September 4	Jazmyn Micala Coulter	NL	David A. Coulter	Donna M. Sherman
September 4	Hannah Lynn Devoe	CONC	Scott P. Devoe	Cheryl A. Brunnhoelze
September 5	Sharleigh Kay Thomson	NL	Thomas J. Thomson	Dawn E. Connolly
September 6	Felicia Mae Deshaies	NL	Joseph A. Deshaies	Launa J. Miller
September 13	Kelsey Morgan Attenhofer	NL	Don J. Attenhofer	Lisa M. Varno
September 14	Hannah Irene Hubert	NL	Thomas H. Hubert	Stephanie A. Shaban
September 15	Jackson Henry Easter	NL	Mark A. Easter	Cheryl L. Pariseau
September 25	Anthony Robert Vaitkunas	NL	Anthony J. Vaitkunas	Millissa L. Billings
September 27	Taylor Renee O'Mara	NL	Michael J. O'Mara	Stacy L. Dicks
September 28	Daniel Peter Trant Albert	NL	Glen E. Albert	Joanna K. Trant

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MOTHER	MAIDEN NAME OF
October 9	Dakota Matthew Poole	NL	John H. Poole	Tracey L. Donnelly	
October 20	Brittney Christine Amell	NL	Gary A. Amell	Nicole C. Blanchard	
October 25	Rachel Lorraine Malanga	NL	Thomas E. Malanga	Monique F. Saler	
October 25	Matthew Edward Tenney	NL	Edward B. Tenney	Holly K. Anderson	
October 26	Nicholas John Brady	NL	Mark A. Brady	Heather A. Shaw	
October 27	Steven Deland Newcomb	NL	Russell D. Newcomb	Dorothy M. Patten	
October 30	Leanne Catherine Beattie	NL	Scott W. Beattie	Patricia A. McDermott	
November 3	Carter Wayne Burton Atwood	NL	Wayne H. Atwood	Tammy L. Howlett	
November 4	Elizabeth McKnight Chadwick	LEB	Thomas M. Chadwick	Dianne M. Fowler	
November 4	Christina Marie Schuster	NL	Jeffrey K. Schuster	Denise M. Champagne	
November 6	Ethan Thomas Cosgrove	NL	Leonard W. Cosgrove	Amy L. Buttrell	
November 6	Emmaline Grace Keene	NL	Peter A. Keene	Elizabeth G. Hayden	
November 7	Ashley Paige Niederriter	NL	John B. Niederriter	Meredith L. Botta	
November 14	Dylan Wade Gardner	NL	Wendell R. Gardner, Jr.	Kellie A. Wade	
November 15	Isabelle Crane Kittredge Lovett	NL	Charles W. Lovett	Caroline F. Kittredge	
November 19	Jackson Cole Waring	CONC	Jesse P. Waring	Amy L. Cole	
November 21	Aaron Michael Sinico	NL	Robert W. Sinico, Jr.	Christina M. Bachelder	
November 21	John Erik Stephens	NL	Kenneth A. Stephens	Robin L. Maze	
November 23	Michael Snow Sullivan	LEB	Robert J. Sullivan	Susan E. Snow	
November 28	Elisha Chantel Butcher	NL	James R. Butcher	Kathleen J. Clark	
November 28	Damon Matthew French	NL	Russell G. French	Christina Peirce	
December 2	Patrick Vincent Moore	NL	Peter V. Moore	Susan E. Cooper	
December 4	Trevor Francis Gibbons	NL	Robert F. Gibbons	Cheryl L. Fajans	
December 5	Isabelle Ruiz Koch	NL	Dennis W. Koch, Jr.	Jana M. Ruiz	
December 10	Olivia May Galvin	NL	Michael T. Galvin, Jr.	Emily J. Earp	
December 11	Travis Holden Nashawaty	NL	Mathew F. Nashawaty	Laurie H. Davidson	
December 13	Henry Alexander Johnson	NL	Ian S. Johnson	Sheenagh A. Stevenson	
December 13	Colby Sutton Lachance	NL	Robert M. Lachance, Jr.	Jill M. Levesque	
December 16	Emma Robbins Davis	LEB	Ray H. Davis III	Robin E. Burroughs	

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
December 26	Reanna Marguerite Conkey	NL	Art C. Conkey, Jr.	Betty J. Dunlap
December 27	Zachary Forrest Rioux	NL	Daniel R. Rioux	Sarah L. Lassins
December 31	Emily May Hastings	NL	Jeffrey A. Hastings	Jennifer E. Blair

1997 MARRIAGES RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON

DATE PLACE	GROOM'S NAME GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME BRIDE'S RESIDENCE
January 15 Lebanon	Roy Justin McClure New London	Priscilla Mary Hourin New London
March 16 New London	Shane Patrick Lavelle New London	Katherine Anne Cook New London
April 5 Claremont	James Clarence Granger New London	Bonnie Rae Bourgoine New London
May 17 New London	Matthew David Maclean Farmington, CT	Ingrid Haron Royle Farmington, CT
May 24 Lebanon	Michael David Meeks New London	Heather Sue Mann New London
May 24 New London	Perry Steven Wise New London	Anita Grace Sanborn New London
May 30 New London	Andrew John Robblee Rindge	Bess Lynn French New London
May 31 New London	Paul Christian Nestler New London	Cheryl Ann Reed Sunapee
June 7 New London	Bernard Llewelyn Cushing II Andover	Amy Elizabeth Bates Andover
June 28 New London	Matthew Peter Turmelle Belton, TX	Tracy Lynn McDonald Andover
July 19 New London	Mitchell Adams Stone New London	Nicole Fara Ferland New London
August 16 New London	Andrew Webster Hager New London	Jennifer Elizabeth Shelby Georges Mills
August 17 New London	Christopher Kimball Woodward Harwich, MA	Marian Sanford Boynton Hingham, MA
August 23 New London	Eric Seth Bernstein Natick, MA	Allison Mary Lovely Natick, MA
August 23 New London	Matthew Justin De Morgan London, England	Kimberly Ann Conly London, England

DATE PLACE	GROOM'S NAME GROOM'S RESIDENCE	BRIDE'S NAME BRIDE'S RESIDENCE
August 24 New London	James Ryan Fox New London	Catherine Margaret Costanzo Randolph, VT
August 30 New London	Peter Randolph Hazard Stark Stoneham, MA	Daniela Homza Steinhubel Stoneham, MA
September 6 Croydon	Alexander Keith Philip New London	Tina Marie Virgin New London
September 20 New London	Robert Anthony Durkin Cambridge, MA	Laurie Anne Catino Cambridge, MA
October 4 New London	Matthew Reino Field Gallatin Gateway, MT	Amy Lynn Liner Gallatin Gateway, MT
October 4 New London	Kevin Bruce Miller Boise, ID	Aimee Rae Lalla Boise, ID
October 11 New London	William Davis Berthoud Harvard, MA	Kristen Frances Callahan Harvard, MA
October 11 New London	David B. Pettine Andover	Elizabeth Anne Pellerin Andover
October 11 New London	Bradley John Van Dussen Newtonville, MA	Monika Fata Newtonville, MA
October 18 New London	Douglas Edward Hagman Conway	Kristen Heather Swanson New London
December 20 Enfield	Robert Wilfred Bergeron New London	Kathy C. Ireland New London
December 22 New London	Jay Hartwell Mt. Pleasant, SC	Valerie McClure Mt. Pleasant, SC

1997 DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF NEW LONDON

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
January 6	Eleanor Woodward Hill	NL	Leo Richardson	Florence Woodward
January 8	Mary Irene Nichols	NL	Ernest L. Carlson	Julia Myers
January 8	John Joseph Pella, Sr.	NL	Anthony Pella	Bella Pannone
January 9	Dorothy Fern Stever	NL	Fred B. Magown	Flora Tenney
January 10	Evelyn Celina Pond	NL	Fred Berube	Lea Caron
January 16	William Arthur Hurley	NL	William R. Hurley	Marie E. Landry
January 16	Vernon Hall Parmenter	CLARE	Vernon E. Parmenter	Isabel Hall
January 17	Emily Rose Brown	NL	John J. Condon	Calista E. Richardson
January 17	Mary Emily Tellow	NL	Charles P. Brackett	Lillian W. Phillips
January 21	Henry Rainey	NL	Chester Rainey	Emma Riff
January 27	Doris May Lane	NL	Henry Cote	Rose Lamond
January 28	Lila M. Rice	NL	Everett Searle	Regina Perry
February 5	Lester Newton King	NL	Newton L. King	Exilia Odette
February 6	Katharine Foster Haviland	LEB	William Foster	Ethel Rollins
February 9	Jane Webb Simonds	NL	Orville B. Webb	Gertrude B. Wilcox
February 14	Mary Helen Newhall	NL	Patrick A. Maguire	Margaret Horgan
February 17	Ruth E. Gray	NL	George Perkins	Ora Barton
February 20	Winifred Esther Brown	NL	Henry A. Brown	Sarah J. Lavine
February 21	Katherine Irene Linehan	NL	Archibald MacIsaac	Cecelia C. Finn
February 24	Bernadine Mason Gardner	NL	Oliff Mason	Adella Huntress
February 25	Erma Elenor Walker	NL	James West	Effie I. Chapman
March 1	John Washburn Westcoat	NL	Roy Westcoat	Mary Mulliken
March 3	Patricia Inez Bell	LEB	Joseph Estey	Alice L. Wilson
March 5	Richard Royal Rearick	NL	Walter Rearick	Bernice Heckman
March 6	Eleanor Ruth Bair	NL	Arthur B. Harris	Mary Sharp
March 12	Katharine Warner Augustinowicz	NL	Matthew Abbott	Blanche Ada Kelley
March 15	Dan Carver Johnson	NL	Robert C. Johnson	Marjorie Wilkins
March 17	Alba I. Johnson	CONC	Francesco DiGemma	Rosa Piris

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
March 19	Anne Figler	NL	Harry Rudman	Rebecca Yudin
March 24	Elizabeth Sarah Bagley	NL	Melvin R. Shrope	Arminda Reeves
March 24	Lillian Wolfson Shukovsky	NL	Benjamin Wolfson	Chara Perlman
March 26	Claire Isabel Crockford	NL	John Coddair	Gertrude Powers
April 1	Robert Orday Fales	NL	Raymond D.Fales	Lucille Knudson
April 1	Henry Elmore Mahoney	NL	William H. Mahoney	Annie M. Austin
April 2	Gerald F. Bunker	NL	Fred Godfrey	Hazel Carpenter
April 4	John W. Spaulding	NL	George A. Spaulding, Sr.	Doris Hunt
April 5	Arthur Joseph Clement	NL	Wilson D. Clement	Mary R. McElvry
April 7	Hilda Clark Gross	NL	Frank B. Clark	Mary Kimber
April 10	Ralph Cameron Messer	NL	Roy A. Messer	Marion Cameron
April 11	Frances Sarah Stone	NL	Nelson Oliver	Jennie Pike
April 16	Philip Whitney Spaulding	LEB	Almon W. Spaulding	Frances Cowles
April 18	Thomas Henry Hubert, Sr.	NL	John Hubert	Frieda Jannsen
April 21	Donald Huntington Baker	NL	Albert Baker	Grace Burke
April 22	Jeanette Hoffman Emery	NL	George A. Hoffman	Lenore J. Putnam
April 27	Eleanor Frances Mullen	NL	Michael Cudihy	Mary Redmond
April 27	Marjorie Wigboldus	NL	Marinus Pikaard	Trina Cooper
April 28	Ruth Constantinides	NL	Colton D. Noble	Florence M. Corbin
May 9	Edith Grace Norton	NL	Wallace Benjamin	Lillian Berton
May 10	Ralph Howard Bean	NL	Harvey Bean	Lotta Ray
May 16	Margarete Lohmann	NL	Johannes Blohm	Metta Ebelbes
May 16	Reva Kathrine Seaver	NL	Richard Larose	Maude Richardson
May 18	Ralph Leone	NL	Huston Leone	Mabel MacKenzie
May 18	Velma Gertrude Randall	NEWP	William G. Stonehouse	Geneva Whalen
May 25	Charles Joseph Boyle, Sr.	NL	William A. Boyle	Edna Sanborn
May 28	Walter Peter Mentick	NL	Gerhard Mentick	Gertrud Mlynar
May 31	James Raymond Cahill	NL	Joseph Cahill	Elise DiMambro
May 31	Herbert Richard Ripley	NL	Herbert Ripley	Margaret O'Connor

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
June 4	Alfred Elmer Alto	NL	Laurie Alto	Vena Santaparka
June 4	George Beal	NL	Kenneth Beal	Annie M. Lopaus
June 11	George Henry MacDonald	NL	Unknown MacDonald	Anna Unknown
June 11	Roy Justin McClure	LEB	William McClure	Mary A. Marion
June 14	Frank John Mikutajcis	NL	John Mikutajcis	Helen Kowszicz
June 19	Ruth Lorraine Mellin	NL	Conrad W. Mellin	Marion L. Baldwin
June 19	John Best O'Neil	NL	Wayne V. O'Neil	Jan Ashley
July 6	Peter H. Hemingson	NL	Harold F. Hemingson	Kathryn D. Delong
July 6	Thomas Hart Pope	NL	Jeffrey Pope	Carmen Chabot
July 17	Hazel Virgil Willette	NL	Edward Morrill	Priscilla Miller
July 18	Lawrence Chait	NL	Peretz Chait	Sylvia Unknown
July 19	Jonathan Lawrence Thiesmeyer	NL	John D. Thiesmeyer	Leah C. Reuber
July 23	Arlene Shirley Hardy	BOSC	Joseph Higginbottom	Bessie Pascall
July 23	Virginia G. Rochford	NL	John Graves	Fanny Fisher
July 23	Ralph Edwin Wright	NL	John A. Wright	Maude A. Belford
July 24	Ella Charlotta Joanna Anderson	NL	Carl Peterson	Helga Ohlsson
July 27	Perry Raymond Smith, Jr.	NL	Perry R. Smith	Maude Hamilton
August 5	Edna Marie Fisher	NL	Earnest Noel	Agnes Biron
August 7	Blanche Isabel Carr	NL	Anthony G. Francis	Mary E. Gill
August 9	Jean Darling	NL	Charles W. Roberts	Lellia Granger
August 22	Beatrice Jean Feins	NL	Jacob Zins	Marie Gordon
August 29	Kenison Smith	NL	Hollis A. Smith	Evelyn F. Kenison
September 8	Clinton Jay Sheerr	LEB	Alvin Sheerr	Vivian Levy
September 10	George Costos Catsam	NL	Costos G. Catsam	Vaselichia Cucufiti
September 10	Impi Aili Kainu	NL	Kalle Kiviahio	Annalisa Haukilahti
September 17	Tillie Charlotte Lebon	NL	Leon Ostrowski	Louisa Maurin
September 21	Josephine M. Brady	NL	Leroy Smith	Josephine Sylce
September 21	Vivian Dorothy Dennis	NL	George Stoodley	Mildred Prouty
September 28	Luman C. Horn	NL	Alexander Horn	Bell L. Keith

DATE	NAME OF DECEASED	PLACE	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
September 28	Helen Gertrude Wescott	NL	Arthur Wigglesworth	Elizabeth Finlayson
October 2	Charles Irving Rowell	NL	Irving W. Rowell	Edith Glidden
October 7	Mary Virginia Mathewson	NL	Chester S. Bosworth	Edith Kelso
October 11	Robert Harold Warren	NL	Wallace Warren	Daisy Swigert
October 12	John Francis Sullivan	NL	Daniel Sullivan	Mary Ahearn
October 23	Ruth Dorothy Ely	NL	Howard J. Bloy	Ruth A. Stoven
October 24	Margaret Mary Jones	NL	Robert A. Burke	Mary McMullen
October 24	Florence Bennett Sillman	NL	Arthur B. Bennett	May Nichols
October 25	Bess Katzman	NL	Thomas Esersky	Edith Sauber
October 27	Terry Spear Marcoplos	NL	George E. Spear	Annie Riley
October 29	Thomas Frederick Jacobson	NL	Leo Jacobson	Florence Rutton
November 2	Eleanor Muriel Barry	NL	Wesley McKenzie	Delphine M. Hobro
November 6	Edward Thoyt Chamberlain, Jr.	NL	Edward T. Chamberlain	May Hadley
November 14	Grace Sarah Hersey	NL	George Woodward	Annie Ayer
November 15	Ruth Naylor Manley	NL	Gordon L. Naylor	Helen Broughton
November 25	Marion Wilson Tucker	NL	Emile E. Wilson	Mary Nygord
November 29	Dorothy Kenyon Morgan	NL	W. Erle Kenyon	Jennie M. Puffer
December 7	Edward J. Preston, Jr.	NL	Edward J. Preston, Sr.	Evelyn McCallister
December 13	Mary Leonteen LaLiberte	NL	Antione LaPorte	Victoria LaLonde
December 16	Myrtle Antoinette Newcomb	NL	James H. Treloar	Ada Lyon
December 17	Benjamin Collins Chadwick	NL	John A. Chadwick	Betsy C. Read
December 17	Pearl White	NL	Louis Guertin	Athlie Lovely
December 18	Floyd Milton Rice	NL	Norman Rice	Vera Hinz
December 19	Margaret Miller Wilcox	NL	Oliver R. Wilcox	Daisy Miller
December 20	Katheryn Louise Robbins	NL	David O. Jones	Katheryn Atwell
December 22	Doris Holt Phillips	NL	Sidney E. Phillips	Olive Holt
December 29	Marjorie Johnston Rawls	NL	Charles W. Johnston	Sarah Abbott



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KEARSARGE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL**1997 New London Graduates**

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
Bride	Benjamin
Brock	Elizabeth
Cox	Taylor
Cummings	Curt
Dunlop	Laura
Dunn	Collin
Fraley	Craig
Fucarile	Kathryn
Gingrich	Melissa
Green	Jessica
Hardy	Jennifer
Jackman	Jamie
Kronewitter	Justin
Lyon	Hillary
MacDonald	Alexander
Morse	Michael
Parker	Lisa
Powers	Richard
Reyelt	Allison
Simeone	Jeffrey
Taylor	Daniel
Weathers	Niel
Weathers	Tyler
Zuber	Adam

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

**ANNUAL REPORT
for the year ending
31 DECEMBER 1997**

Founded 1925

Providing water service to customers in the
Towns of New London and Springfield

REPORT TO THE VOTERS-1997

The Annual meeting of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in March of 1997 saw the election of Richard L. Bott, Jr. as Water Commissioner for a three year term. Also elected on the same ballot were Anna Green as Treasurer, Susan J. Fifield as Clerk and Peter Stanley as Moderator, all for one-year terms. The following Articles requiring funding were all passed: the proposed budget, the first phase of perimeter boundary identification and delineation of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct and construction of the Fenwood/Pine Hill Grid. Two other Articles; one authorizing the Board of Commissioners to act as agents for the disposal of surplus equipment and one to issue notes and incur debt in anticipation of taxes and revenues in order to pay current maintenance and operating expenses, as provided in RSA 33:7. Both Articles passed and shall remain in effect until rescinded by a vote of the Precinct Meeting.

Bristol-Sweet & Associates has completed approximately seventeen percent (17%) of the boundary work of which most was research. They will be entering this data into the computer as part of the mapping phase.

During the summer, the wetlands permit for the Fenwood/Pine Hill Grid was proposed to the Wetlands Board and after a public hearing in September approval was issued. The project went out to bid and the submitted bids were opened on October 10, 1997. Two contractors bid on the project but both were much higher than our budget. The Commissioners put the project on hold and entered into negotiations with the contractor who had constructed the Fenwood part of the grid. He was able to offer pricing more in line with our budget. At the time of this writing the Commissioners are in the process of entering into a contract with Mike Hastings Construction. The Commissioners would like to thank, on behalf of the Precinct, the New London Selectmen and the Conservation Commission for their assistance and cooperation in making this project possible.

In 1997 the Board of Commissioners approved 17 new applications for water service.

Copper and lead testing was performed during the summer according to Federal requirements. The Precinct is in the process of making internal adjustments in order to comply with the federal regulations.

It should be noted that the average daily demand during the summer is three hundred eighty-five thousand (385,000) gallons and winter two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) gallons. During the dry spell in the summer of 1997 we experienced an extended period with usage of five hundred thousand (500,000) to five hundred fifty thousand (550,000) gallons per day with spikes to six hundred eighty-five thousand (685,000) gallons per day. Most of this increase is attributed to irrigation and consideration of this should not be overlooked.

The Board of Commissioners wish to thank the voters for the opportunity to serve the Precinct, and look forward to continued service in 1998. Thank you.

COMMISSIONERS:
KENNETH R. JACQUES, Chairman
JAMES A. CRICENTI
RICHARD L. BOTT, JR.

**NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD
WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT
PRECINCT WARRANT**

Towns of New London and Springfield, New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct in the counties of Merrimack and Sullivan, respectively, qualified to vote in Precinct affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in New London, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, at 3:00 p.m. to act on the following subjects:

(Note: By law the meeting must open before voting starts. Therefore, the meeting and polls will open at 3:00 p.m. At 3:15 p.m. the meeting will recess, but the polls will remain open until 8:00 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to act on Articles 2 through 7.)

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary officers for the coming year.

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of officers for the coming year.

ARTICLE 3: To set the salaries of all officers for the coming year.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to defray Precinct charges for the coming year:

	Approved Budget 1997	Proposed Budget 1998
Salaries, Benefits, Taxes	\$107,597	\$117,310
Maintenance	11,000	11,000
Utilities	25,000	30,000
Supplies	15,000	15,000
Insurance	9,500	8,000
Administration	6,500	6,500
Accounting Expense	2,000	2,150
Legal Expense	2,500	2,000
Election/Annual Meeting	1,000	1,000
Engineering Review	1,500	1,500
Equipment (Capitalized)	3,200	2,000
Contingency	1,000	1,000
Interest (Short Term)	500	750
Interest (Long Term)	47,935	58,601
Principal (Long Term)	95,000	190,000
Lease Expense	<u>12,500</u>	<u>12,500</u>
	\$341,732	\$459,311

ARTICLE 5: To see if the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) for the second phase of perimeter boundary identification and delineation of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct. This amount to be funded from the General Fund Surplus of December 31, 1997. Also, this article will be non-lapsing until the year 2002.

ARTICLE 6: To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for completion of the construction of the Fenwood/Pine Hill grid. This amount to be funded from the General Fund Surplus of December 31, 1997.

ARTICLE 7: To see if the voters of the Precinct will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000.00) to cover the ice storm damage. That sum will be reimbursed seventy-five percent (75%) by FEMA, twelve and one-half (12.5%) by the State of New Hampshire and the balance to be raised by taxes.

KENNETH R. JACQUES, Chairman
JAMES A. CRICENTI
RICHARD L. BOTT, JR.
Commissioners
New London-Springfield
Water System Precinct

A true copy of Warrant: Attest
KENNETH R. JACQUES, Chairman
JAMES A. CRICENTI
RICHARD L. BOTT, JR.
Commissioners
New London-Springfield
Water System Precinct

NEW LONDON - SPRINGFIELD
WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NEW LONDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

DECEMBER 31, 1997

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PHILIP E. GLEASON
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT PA

To the Commissioners
New London-Springfield Water System Precinct
New London, New Hampshire

I have reviewed the accompanying balance sheet of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct as of December 31, 1997 and 1996 and the related statements of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct.

A review consists principally of inquiries of Precinct personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, with the exception of the matter described in the following paragraph, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

As disclosed in Note 1 to the financial statements, generally accepted accounting principles require that depreciation be provided on the facility and equipment assets. The effect of this departure from generally accepted accounting principles on financial position, results of operations, and cash flows have not been determined.

Philip E. Gleason

January 23, 1998

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NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1997 AND 1996

	1997				1996
	OPERATING FUNDS	PLANT FUNDS	CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	TOTAL (memorandum only)	TOTAL (memorandum only)
ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS					
Cash and Cash					
Equivalent	\$137,996		\$ 207,249	\$ 345,245	\$ 358,461
Accounts Receivable	972			972	3,331
Interfund Receivables		\$ 3,266		3,266	3,266
Inventory	21,222			21,222	21,003
Prepaid Expense	<u>3,093</u>			<u>3,093</u>	
Total Current Assets	163,283	3,266	207,249	373,798	386,061
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT					
Facilities		1,692,072		1,692,072	1,692,072
Equipment		132,571		132,571	129,143
Colby Point Project Cost			<u>1,731,525</u>	<u>1,731,525</u>	<u>1,721,769</u>
Total Plant and Equipment		<u>1,824,643</u>	<u>1,731,525</u>	<u>3,556,168</u>	<u>3,542,984</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$163,283</u>	<u>\$1,827,909</u>	<u>\$1,938,774</u>	<u>\$3,929,966</u>	<u>\$3,929,045</u>
LIABILITIES					
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,168		\$ 500	\$ 2,668	\$ 13,284
Accrued Interest Payable	20,268			20,268	23,758
Bonds Payable			95,000	95,000	95,000
Interfund Payables	<u>3,266</u>			<u>3,266</u>	<u>3,266</u>
Total Current Liabilities	25,702		95,500	121,202	135,308
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES					
Bonds Payable			<u>650,000</u>	<u>650,000</u>	<u>745,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	25,702		745,500	771,202	880,308
FUND EQUITY					
Appropriated	86,433		1,193,274	1,279,707	1,003,982
Unappropriated	<u>51,148</u>	<u>\$1,827,909</u>		<u>1,879,057</u>	<u>2,044,755</u>
	<u>137,581</u>	<u>1,827,909</u>	<u>1,193,274</u>	<u>3,158,764</u>	<u>3,048,737</u>
	<u>\$163,283</u>	<u>\$1,827,909</u>	<u>\$1,938,774</u>	<u>\$3,929,966</u>	<u>\$3,929,045</u>

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and Notes to Financial Statement**PHILIP E. GLEASON**
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, PA

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	OPERATING FUNDS		CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUNDS	TOTAL 1997 (memorandum only)
	1997	ACTUAL	1997	1997	
BUDGET		ACTUAL			
Operating Revenue					
Water Charges and Fees	\$161,575	\$210,945			\$210,945
Interest	400	3,815	\$11,062		12,377
Insurance refund		3,181			3,181
Other		<u>1,513</u>			<u>1,513</u>
Total Revenue	161,975	216,954	11,062		228,016
Operating Expenditures					
Salaries and wages	85,564	76,258			76,258
Payroll taxes and benefits	22,032	21,268			21,268
Maintenance	11,000	8,305			8,305
Utilities	25,000	27,049			27,049
Precinct Supplies	15,000	11,819			11,819
Insurance	9,500	7,396			7,396
Administration and contingency	7,500	8,010			8,010
Accounting	2,000	1,826			1,826
Legal	2,500	170			460
Precinct meetings	1,000	952			952
Engineering review	3,200	3,428			3,428
Equipment	48,435	52,044			45,546
Interest	12,500	12,500			12,500
Lease		355			355
Refunds		<u>95,000</u>			<u>95,000</u>
Bond principal payment					
Total Expenditures	341,731	320,172	11,062		320,172
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$179,756</u>	(103,218)			(92,156)
Other Income					
Precinct taxes		109,092			109,092
Sale of vehicles and equipment		<u>6,777</u>			
Total Other Income		<u>109,092</u>			<u>109,092</u>
		5,874			<u>16,936</u>
		(28,936)			11,062

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NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	OPERATING FUNDS		CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS	PLANT AND EQUIPMENT FUNDS	TOTAL 1997 (memorandum Only)
	BUDGET 1997	ACTUAL	1997	1997	
Expenditures, Current Year					
Special Articles					
1996 Art. 5 - General Fund	\$ 217	\$ 216			\$ 216
1996 Art. 7 - General Fund	11,553	2,381			2,381
1997 Art. 6 - General Fund	5,000	1,500			1,500
1997 Art. 7 - General Fund	75,000	1,240			1,240
Total Expenditures		<u>5,337</u>			<u>5,337</u>
Net Income (Loss)		537	\$ 11,062		11,599
Fund Balance, January 1, 1997		137,044	1,087,212	\$1,824,481	3,048,737
Transfer of Equipment Funding				3,428	3,428
Transfer of Bond Payment Funding				<u>95,000</u>	<u>95,000</u>
Fund Balance, December 31, 1997		<u>\$137,581</u>	<u>\$1,183,274</u>	<u>\$1,827,909</u>	<u>\$3,158,164</u>

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997

	OPERATING <u>FUNDS</u>	PLANT <u>FUNDS</u>	CAPITAL PROJECT <u>FUNDS</u>	TOTAL (memorandum only)
Cash Flows from Operating Activities				
Net Income	\$ 537		\$ 11,062	\$ 11,599
Decrease in Accounts receivable	2,359			2,359
(Increase) in inventory	(219)			(219)
(Increase) in prepaid expenses	(3,093)			(3,093)
(Decrease) in accounts Payable and accrued expense	<u>(2,150)</u>	<u> </u>	<u>(11,956)</u>	<u>(14,106)</u>
Net Cash (Used) by Operating Activities	(2,566)		(894)	(3,460)
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities				
Acquisitions of plant and equipment	<u> </u>		<u>(9,756)</u>	<u>(9,756)</u>
(Decrease) in Cash	(2,566)		(10,650)	(13,216)
Cash, December 31, 1996	<u>140,562</u>	<u> </u>	<u>217,899</u>	<u>358,461</u>
Cash, December 31, 1997	<u>\$137,996</u>		<u>\$207,249</u>	<u>\$345,245</u>

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and Notes to Financial StatementPHILIP E. GLEASON
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT PA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1997

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the New London-Springfield Water System Precinct (Precinct) have been prepared on the accrual basis. The significant accounting policies followed are described below:

Fund Accounting - To ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of resources available to the Precinct, the accounts of the Precinct are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. This is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds established according to their nature and purposes. Separate accounts are maintained for each fund; however, in the accompanying financial statements, funds that have similar characteristics have been combined into fund groups. Accordingly, all financial transactions have been recorded and reported by each fund group.

The assets, liabilities and fund balances of the Precinct are reported in self-balancing fund groups as follows:

- o Operating Fund - This fund serves as the general operating fund of the Precinct. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- o Plant Fund - This group of accounts is used to account for all fixed assets of the Precinct other than those being accounted for in the Capital Projects Funds. These items are purchased through transfer from the Operating Fund.
- o Capital Project Fund - This fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition and/or construction of the Colby Point Project. This fund includes the Safe Drinking Water Act Compliance Capital Reserve Fund that is being expended on the Colby Point Project.

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The Precinct considers all short-term, highly liquid investments with remaining maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Depreciation - Plant and equipment is stated at cost. Assets acquired by gift or bequest are recorded at the fair market value at the date of transfer. Depreciation is not provided for on the assets which is a departure from generally accepted accounting principles. Assets sold or otherwise disposed of are removed from the accounts at their original cost.

Inventory - The inventory of supplies are valued at cost.

Total Columns - The combined Financial Statements include a total column that is described as memorandum only. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Interfund transactions have not been eliminated from the total column of each financial statement.

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PHILIP E. GLEASON
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1997

NOTE 1 - ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Budgetary Data - The Precinct budgets revenue, expenditures, and other sources and uses of the Operating Fund. Appropriations in the Operating Fund are charged for encumbrances when commitments are made. Fund balances are reserved for outstanding encumbrances, which serve as authorizations for expenditures in the subsequent year. Budgetary comparisons in the financial statements are presented on a modified accrual basis of accounting. All unencumbered budget appropriation lapse at the end of each fiscal year.

Reclassifications - Certain reclassifications have been made to the 1996 comparative totals to conform to the 1997 presentation.

NOTE 2 - CREDIT RISK

The Precinct cash was deposited in various institutions during the year. At various times the amount on deposit in these institutions exceeded the \$100,000 federally insured limit. As of December 31, 1997 the deposits on hand were in excess of the insured limit by \$38,985.

NOTE 3 - PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Activity for the fixed assets which are capitalized by the Precinct is summarized below:

	BALANCE JANUARY 1, <u>1997</u>	ADDITIONS	DEDUCTIONS	BALANCE DECEMBER 31, <u>1997</u>
Facility	\$1,692,072			\$1,692,072
Equipment	129,143	\$ 3,428		132,571
Colby Pt. Project Cost	<u>1,721,769</u>	<u>9,756</u>		<u>1,731,525</u>
	<u>\$3,542,984</u>	<u>\$13,184</u>		<u>\$3,556,168</u>

Costs incurred for the Colby Point Project by the Capital Project Fund are capitalized. Upon completion of the Project, the total cost will be transferred to the Plant and Equipment Funds.

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CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, PA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1997

NOTE 4 - BONDS PAYABLE

On December 20, 1994 the Precinct secured \$935,000 from the New Hampshire Municipal Bond Bank for the issuance of 1994 Series F Bonds. Interest is payable semi-annually. Presented below is a summary of the debt service requirements to maturity by year:

YEAR	INTEREST	
	RATE	PRINCIPAL
1998	8%	\$ 95,000
1999	5.4%	95,000
2000	5.4%	95,000
2001	5.5%	95,000
2002	5.625%	95,000
2003	5.75%	90,000
2004	5.80%	90,000
2005	5.90%	<u>90,000</u>
		<u>\$745,000</u>

NOTE 5 - REVENUE FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

The Precinct applied for and received from the State of New Hampshire's Department of Environmental Services a 20% reimbursement for monies spent from June, 1986 through December, 1994 toward compliance with the Safe Water Drinking Act.

NOTE 6 - COMMITMENT

The Precinct reached a settlement with the Cleveland Company, Inc. over an eminent domain action for easements to Colby Point. The Precinct agreed to pay as just compensation \$25,000 upon delivery of the proper easement and ten annual payments of \$12,500. At the commencement of the eleventh year and each five years thereafter the annual payment will be adjusted based on the average of two factors; the Consumer Price Index and the percentage increase in gallonage pumped. In no event shall the annual payment be less than \$12,500 nor greater than 30% of \$12,500 for year 11 through 15 and 30% greater of the amount calculated in year 11 for years 16 through 20. At the expiration of 20 years, the Precinct shall have the option to renew the Agreement every five years up to ninety-nine years, upon the same terms and conditions except annual payments which shall be renegotiated.

The Precinct charged the initial \$25,000 payment to the cost of the Colby Point project and the \$12,500 to operations.

See Accountant's Review Report

PHILIP E. GLEASON
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, PA.

NOTICES

DOG OWNERS shall register all dogs over three months of age.
Dog license renewals are due by April 30.

- Rabies Certificates required for registration.
- Civil Forfeiture for not obtaining a dog license is a fine of \$25.00 (RSA 466:13)
- Owners are liable for dogs running at large.
- Fees: \$6.50 if altered \$9.00 not altered
\$2.00 if owner is over 65

VEHICLE OWNERS must register their vehicles with the Town Clerk.

- To re-register, owners may use the mail-in procedure or come into the office.
- Renewals, decals, transfers and plates available

THOSE OPERATING IN OR NEAR WETLANDS OR WATERWAYS shall file a Dredge and Fill application with the Town Clerk before beginning work (RSA:483-A). Fines may be assessed for non-compliance.

PROPERTY OWNERS seeking tax abatement shall apply to the Selectmen's Office by March 1 of the following year after receiving the final tax bill (RSA 76:16). Forms are available at the Selectmen's Office.

TOWN HISTORY - MIRROR TO AMERICA

The office of the Town Clerk has available for sale, during regular business hours, copies of **Mirror to America, A History of New London**, 1900-1950, at a cost of \$10.00 per copy.

TOWN ELECTION OF OFFICERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 1998
WHIPPLE MEMORIAL HALL
POLLS OPEN 8 :00 A.M.
POLLS CLOSE 7:00 P.M.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
KEARSARGE REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 1998
7:00 P.M.
ARTICLES 2 THROUGH 30 IN THE WARRANT

WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT
WHIPPLE MEMORIAL HALL
NEW LONDON
Polls Open 3:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 17, 1998
Polls Close 8:00 P.M. - Meeting Opens 3:00 P.M.
Meeting will recess at 3:15 P.M.
Meeting Reconvenes 7:00 P.M.

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